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Corporate Matching Gifts and Grant Programs

A matching gift is a charitable donation by a corporation that matches an employee's, and with some companies a retiree's, donation to an eligible nonprofit organization. 65% of Fortune 500 companies offer a matching gift program! Grant Programs are where a company will donate money in a grant format for activities such as volunteering, run/walk/bike participation.

Basics

• Match Ratio: Majority of companies are 1:1, or dollar to dollar, ranging from .5:1 for retirees or part-time employees to 5:1.

• Minimum Match: Usually companies set a minimum they are willing to start matching at, meaning if the dollar amount is below that threshold they will not match. Most common is $25 minimum.

• Maximum Match: Upper limits have a broader range from $500 - $15,000.

• Standard Deadlines: Most often 2-12 months AFTER the donation date, with December 31st a most common deadline.

• Submission Process: Usually contact the company HR department. Employees must refer to us as Renaissance Secondary School, Tax ID/EIN: #81-3038349. Requesting a matching gift or volunteer grant is normally a five minute process which must be initiated by the donor / volunteer. You can do this by filling out and submitting a paper match form provided by your employer or through an electronic submission process.

• Processing: Most companies use a 3rd party to process the matching gift program in its behalf. The school receives the monies usually 2-3 months after a donor submits the paperwork (NOT the date of the donation). Physical checks are also received and given to the school.

Helpful Websites

https://doublethedonation.com/corporate-matching-gift-forms-guide/

https://www.cancer.org/donate/matching-gifts.html

Participating Companies (companies seen coming through The Foundation for Douglas County Schools)

Adobe Apple, CarMax, Charles Schwab, Coca-Cola, Encana, Google, Intel Corp, Juniper Networks Foundation Fund, Microsoft, Oppenheimer, Oracle, State Farm, Verizon, UBS, VISA Inc., Wells Fargo, Workday Inc