



Questions for Consideration

1. When you think about our world and society, what inspires or excites you?
2. When you think about our world and society, what upsets or angers you?
3. If you could wave a magic wand and make a difference in the world – what would you change? How would the world be different?
4. What motivates you to give*? How have your educational experiences, community or religion influenced your giving*? What social and historical events have influenced your giving*? How have personal life events influenced your giving*? Are there organizations that have made a difference in your life? In a family member's or friend's? Have you ever been helped by someone's generosity? How?
5. What kind of difference do you want to make? Do you see it as an immediate or long-term difference? Do you want to support new, cutting-edge programs/organizations or established programs/organizations?
6. If you had \$100,000 to give to nonprofits, how would you allocate it among the following types of gifts?
 - \$ _____ Capital Projects (Bricks & Mortar, Equipment)
 - \$ _____ Emergency Funding
 - \$ _____ Endowment
 - \$ _____ General Operating Support
 - \$ _____ Project Support
 - \$ _____ Other, specify: _____
7. Again, you have \$100,000. Please distribute it among the following categories:
 - \$ _____ Local (i.e., your neighborhood or county)
 - \$ _____ Regional (i.e., Greater Cincinnati)
 - \$ _____ State-wide
 - \$ _____ Nationally
 - \$ _____ Internationally
 - \$ _____ Other, specify: _____
8. What is the best charitable gift you've ever given? Why?
9. What is the worst charitable gift you've ever given? Why?
10. What is the most satisfying part of giving?



11. How do you like to be recognized for giving? Do you prefer anonymous giving? Naming opportunities? Gala events?

12. Once you know which areas you would like to support, you'll need to determine how you would like to effect change.

For example, there are a number of organizations addressing aspects of poverty. Which type will you choose to support?

Some nonprofits will:

- cook meals for people without food
- empower homeless people to get jobs, and
- combat poverty through advocacy and policy setting.

Which type of charitable organization would you like to fund? ___ Charity/Social Service Usually a direct relationship between a funder and an individual in need.

Example:

Soup Kitchen. ___ System/Network of Services An intermediary links and helps manage a network of providers for the targeted group.

Example:

A disaster relief system. ___ Empowerment Usually a direct relationship with organizations.

Example:

Educational scholarships. ___ Advocacy/Social Change Often a coalition with a group of funders.

Example:

Grass roots organizing. ___ Venture Philanthropy/Market Models A lender/borrower relationship between organization and targeted group.

Example:

Social Venture Partners. * Questions borrowed from 21/64 Family Quest Giving cards.