

Privacy Policy - Online/web site

This privacy statement is applicable to www.touchingliveseveryday.org and the public web sites directly created and maintained by eTapestry on behalf of the St. Francis Foundation. The following statement applies to the public and addresses the types and use of information gathered on the Foundation's web sites.

St. Francis Foundation does not collect personally identifiable information about individuals except when individuals intentionally provide such information in a question, transaction, on a web form or other web-based communication sent to the Foundation. Personally identifiable information sent to the Foundation, such as an email message requesting information, may be seen and addressed by staff for the purposes necessary to serve a message sender's needs. It will not be sold or otherwise transferred to unaffiliated third parties without a visitor's explicit consent or unless required by law.

St. Francis Foundation may collect non-personal information—items such as date & time, a visitor's web browser and version, the pages visited and the referring site—to perform statistical analyses of user trends and interests and to generate general reports based on this information, ultimately to better serve the users of this resource. This non-personal information is stored in server logs and again, will be not be sold or otherwise transferred unless required by law.

Users also should be aware that non-personal information and data may be automatically collected through the use of "cookies," small text files a site can use to recognize repeat visitors and enhance a user's access to and use of a site. Generally, cookies work by assigning visitors a unique number that has no meaning outside a specific site. Cookies are not programs that go onto a user's system and damage files. Information that St. Francis Foundation may collect or store in cookies is used for internal purposes only and is not sold or shared. Most web browsers also give users the ability to decline any "cookies" they may be offered by St. Francis Foundation or others; browser "Help" files offer more information on this feature.

Likewise, electronic mail and other Internet communications are not always secure against interception. St. Francis Foundation has security measures and practices in place to help protect visitor's privacy and prevent loss, misuse or alteration of information sent to the Foundation.

It is possible that some web pages at the St. Francis Foundation site may collect information about visitors and use that information for purposes other than those stated above. When this is the case, the details of the data collection and use will be spelled out via a distinct "privacy statement" link on the respective site.

Please address any questions about St. Francis Foundation privacy policy and practices, or use of this web site to: jhodnik@touchingliveseveryday.org. Or, write to St. Francis Foundation via the postal service at 1600 W. Oklahoma Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53215.

This policy is effective April 1, 2007. St. Francis Foundation reserves the right to modify this policy by notifying users of the existence of new privacy statement. This statement and the policies outlined are not intended to and do not create any contractual or other legal rights in or on behalf of any party.