



### Donor advised funds — a growing phenomenon

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### **Rules of Engagement**

- Respect confidentiality & privacy
- No solicitation or pitches
- Keep an open mind
- Honour others wherever they are on their journey



## Philanthropy Impact

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## Why use a donor advised fund?

- suitable for small and large giving
- avoids the hassle of Gift Aid administration
- can avoid the need for a family charity
- costs savings
- overseas giving

# When might a donor advised fund not be suitable?

- might not be suitable for large sums of money and bespoke projects, or for "legacy" charitable work
- not suitable where donor decision-making is complex and involves e.g. family members

### Some issues for donor advised funds

- donation is to the donor advised fund. It ceases to be the donor's money
- trustees must carry out due diligence
- requirement for a "pause"
- insolvency issues and restructuring to involve the use of a charitable trust

### **Emerging Situations**

- collective funds, particularly in relation to assistance for refugees and disaster assistance
- changes to donor advised funds in light of technology



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