THE ART OF CROSS-BORDER GIVING
Since 1992, CAF America’s core mission has been to enable domestic and cross-border giving by US donors to validated charities across the world. We work with philanthropists, corporations and corporate foundations, and other US-based foundations to provide the infrastructure necessary to unlock regulatory-compliant, high quality grantmaking and grant programs.

CAF America Offices
WASHINGTON, DC | SAN FRANCISCO | MIAMI | NEW YORK CITY | TORONTO | VANCOUVER | LONDON

Allied Professionals
AFRICA & THE MIDDLE EAST | ASIA | LATIN AMERICA

Other CAF International Partners
JOHANNESBURG | LONDON | MELBOURNE | MOSCOW | NEW DELHI | SÃO PAULO | SOFIA | SYDNEY

CAF America Subsidiaries

CAF Canada is a registered Canadian charity working to expand the culture of giving by making it easy, reliable, and effective for Canadians to give both internationally and domestically.

The CAF American Donor Fund (CADF) allows US/UK dual taxpayers to claim Gift Aid—which can increase the value of their gifts by up to 25%—and qualify for a tax deduction in the UK and in the US.

CAF International’s membership of trusted partners in cross-border giving and, drawing on decades of experience in this field, delivers a unique bundle of essential services including charity validation, cross-border giving policy and a global charity database for our valued donor community.
EXCELLENCE IN CROSS-BORDER GRANTMAKING

CAF America supports donors in the United States with their domestic and international philanthropy.

Our network of more than 2 million eligible charities in 120 countries means we can safely and efficiently support charitable efforts across the world at a moment’s notice. Nonprofits eligible with CAF America benefit from being able to offer their US donors a tax-effective giving option and the reputational enhancement of passing validation.

CAF America’s approach to cross-border grantmaking is guided by three principles:

- Complying with US regulations, as well as local laws governing the movement of foreign charitable funds into grantees’ home countries
- Mitigating the risk of significant excise taxes and fines, or even criminal charges in case of failure to comply with US regulations governing cross-border giving
- Protecting our donors from possible reputational damage that may arise if proper due diligence is not conducted

MEASURING IMPACT

CAF America 5 Pillars of Impactful Grantmaking

Impact Philanthropy is about ensuring your giving will deliver significant, specific, and measurable results for the long-term. To accomplish that, you need to have five strong building blocks, or pillars, in place:

1. **Specific & Measurable Goals**: It starts with a clear understanding of what you want to achieve—defining specific objectives and the timeframe for achieving them, agreeing on how you’ll measure success, and determining how you’ll track progress along the way.

2. **The Expertise & Resources Needed for Success**: Make sure the charity you’re working with, and any resources they’re engaging, have the expertise and budget needed to achieve the mutually agreed upon goals. The more you understand about the problems you seek to solve, the easier it will be to gauge this.

3. **Progress Tracking & a Transparency Mindset**: Tracking progress prevents surprises and allows charities and their donors to align on any course corrections needed to keep things on track.

4. **A Long-Term Focus for Sustained Results**: Multi-year funding commitments enable charities to plan projects out over a longer time horizon, adding infrastructure and operational capacity where needed to scale and sustain new community practices beyond the life of a grant.

5. **A Partnership Orientation**: Lastly, to support the investment, there must be a collaborative, mutually respectful spirit of partnership between donor and charity.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in your Grant Programs

Effective philanthropy is built on relationships that grow out of respect and communication for all parties involved. Through grant programs that consider Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, donor clients and charity partners alike are valued and have efficacy in the grantmaking process leading to long term impacts on your shared philanthropic goal.
YOUR TRUSTED PARTNER

CAF America has customized solutions for
INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES | ADVISORS | CORPORATIONS | US NONPROFITS | FOREIGN NONPROFITS

We understand that effective philanthropy begins with a clear vision and a focused plan for making that vision a reality. At CAF America, we work directly with each party involved in each step of the grantmaking process to ensure the realization of the philanthropic vision.

Donors
Whether through a one time Donor Advised Gift, planning your charitable legacy or working with our services in between, CAF America is here to help plan and build your philanthropic vision. We can facilitate your giving to any charity we are able to legally validate so you have the confidence that your gift is regulatory compliant and reaches your desired charitable purpose. Additionally our advisory services help you build your giving charitable framework tailor made to your specific needs.

The Process
Every organization that receives a grant from CAF America is first evaluated using our extensive validation protocols, processes built upon our decades of experience, the expertise of our staff, and industry-leading best practices in international giving. Taking advantage of our compliance and due diligence services, our donors can support any eligible organization in any country around the world.

Grantees
As a valued charity partner, working with CAF America helps give additional legitimacy to your organization. Donors will have the confidence that your organization is structured and operates as a nonprofit entity, that grant funds provided to your organization will be used exclusively for charitable purposes, and that your organization went through our extensive review to ensure against the risk of fraud, money laundering, or other illicit activities.

LIFECYCLE OF A GRANT

CAF America's weekly grants cycle allows donors to advise grants to the charities of their choice. For Fund Holders, this is an example of how you would make a grant.

Want to avoid creating a Fund? Make a Single Gift instead
For any donors looking to make a one-time donation to a foreign charity, CAF America offers Donor-Advised Gift and Restricted Gift services. Speak to our team about how this works, or send us a note at info@cafamerica.org.
CHALLENGES IN INTERNATIONAL PHIANTHROPY

CAF America has solutions for working under the strictest charity laws in the world

China
Why it’s challenging for donors: Since the Overseas NGO Management Law went into effect in 2017, there are now two ways to support Chinese charities: (1) through a US intermediary with an office in China, or (2) through a US intermediary which uses Temporary Activity Licenses.

How CAF America helps: To best serve our donors and allow for flexibility in planning, CAF America undertakes the responsibility of applying for Temporary Activity Licenses with our Chinese partner NGOs to facilitate giving to organizations in China. Under this model, donors can initiate the application process for a Temporary Activity License anytime throughout the year whereas giving through an office requires donors to plan their charitable gifts by December 31 of each year to be approved for the next year.

Egypt
Why it’s challenging for donors: Local regulations require local organizations to obtain approval for fundraising abroad and receiving foreign funding. Obtaining the necessary permits may take several months to a year (in some cases).

How CAF America helps: CAF America works closely with organizations in Egypt to ensure that our grantees can comply with the local requirements and are able to continue fulfilling their mission.

European Union
Why it’s challenging for donors: On May 25, 2018, the EU Global Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) went into effect imposing a series of requirements related to the use and storage of personal data. EU privacy laws can have far reaching impacts outside of Europe and there is no safe harbor covering charitable work or nonprofits.

How CAF America helps: CAF America is committed to regulatory compliant cross-border giving. We sign a Model Contract with each EU grantee ensuring that we protect the personal data they share, thus complying with GDPR.

India
Why it’s challenging for donors: India’s Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) governs which Indian organizations may receive foreign charitable funding. It has been increasingly difficult to register and maintain FCRA status. This resulted in a 40% decline in foreign funding between 2015 and 2018. On September 28, 2020, India passed several new FCRA amendments including a prohibition of re-granting of foreign funding to other local nonprofits. US donors can no longer rely on Indian nonprofit intermediaries validated via Equivalency Determination or Expenditure Responsibility to manage local due diligence and grantmaking.

How CAF America helps: CAF America is an expert on FCRA. The majority of our grantmaking into India has always gone to direct beneficiaries in the country, and not through an intermediary. We work closely with our Indian partners and the CAF office in New Delhi to ensure that each of our grantees is registered under FCRA and is in compliance with annual reporting requirements, thus we enable our donors to continue advising gifts to India.

Mexico
Why it’s challenging for donors: Anti-money laundering legislation requires organizations in Mexico to submit extensive information on donations they receive over MXN 107,000. Sensitive information from donors such as copies of passports are required.

How CAF America helps: CAF America, as the grantor, undertakes the responsibility of compliance with these onerous requirements in relation to the grants advised by our donors to organizations in Mexico.

Russia
Why it’s challenging for donors: Russian organizations that receive foreign charitable funding have to register as foreign agents and comply with burdensome reporting requirements. Organizations working on sensitive issue-areas may be deemed “undesirable” if they are perceived as a threat to Russian national security.

How CAF America helps: CAF America works with our partner, CAF Russia, to ensure that gifts to Russia are made in compliance with all relevant laws and enable our donor clients to continue supporting the work of organizations on the ground.
Bring Your Philanthropic Vision to Life

Philanthropy often begins with a story: a story of hope, a story of courage, a story of inspiration. At CAF America, we specialize in creating a seamless transition from aspiration to meaningful action. Our unparalleled expertise and personalized solutions help you bring your philanthropic vision to life and achieve the impact that you want, where you want it.

Take Your Giving Global
By working with CAF America, you benefit from our:
- Global grantmaking perspective
- Industry-leading due diligence
- Capacity to offer full charitable tax benefits
- Ability to expedite your gifts to more than 1.8 million organizations in 110 countries

Build Your Legacy
By establishing a DAF at CAF America, you can contribute to your fund at any time while being strategic with your ultimate giving. If you wish to involve your family members, you may add them as advisors to the fund so they can participate and grow your family’s legacy of giving.

Give How You Want
At CAF America, we are committed to supporting your philanthropic vision. As a donor-driven, cause-universal organization, we can facilitate your giving to any organization or charitable project we are able to legally validate. We have supported a wide range of projects from medical research in Ireland to youth education in India to turtle rehabilitation in Mexico. Explore our Global Charity Database to learn more.

DAFs at CAF America are flexible and enable you to support both domestic and international causes out of a single fund. Speak with us about your philanthropic priorities and see how CAF America can help you.

Invested Offerings
CAF America works with expert advisors at Merrill Lynch Investments to offer you four Model ETF Portfolios, if you wish to invest your charitable dollars. The specific breakdown of each portfolio’s assets is determined by the Merrill Lynch Research Investment Committee, and revised at the end of each Fiscal Quarter. Detailed holdings and quarterly/annual returns for each investment option are available upon request.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Considerations
At CAF America pride ourselves on high customer service standards, and are constantly evaluating our values, practices, and principles to ensure our policies and behaviors reflect our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Our donor clients and charity partners come from a myriad of cultural and social backgrounds, so ensuring that everyone we work with feels respected is conducive to effective grantmaking.

Diaspora Philanthropy
In an increasingly connected world, diaspora groups are often the epicenter of initiatives that have a major impact on their home and host societies respectively. CAF America is committed to enabling diasporas across the globe to donate to their home communities in a safe, easy, and effective manner.

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- Donor Advised Gifts
- Expedited Giving
- The CAF American Donor Fund
- Validation Services
Case Study

THE LEGACY OF HELEN L. RINKER ASHLEY

For the people of Voditsa, Bulgaria, it would seem as if an unlikely angel from a distant land has adopted their village and made its development her mission. Yet for Helen L. Rinker Ashley, it was inevitable that Voditsa should become the beneficiary of her philanthropy.

Helen’s lawyers contacted CAF America and explained her desire to provide financial support for improvement projects in Voditsa. Helen did not designate specific charity beneficiaries to undertake this work, but instead relied on CAF America’s expertise and local networks to undertake the planning and program coordination that were necessary to achieve her philanthropic goals. Helen and her lawyers decided to open a Donor Advised Fund (DAF) at CAF America to be financed from the sale of her property and other assets upon her death. After Helen passed at the age of 93 and her estate was settled, the monies available for the Fund provided by the estate were precisely $1,467,284.70 USD (which is equivalent to 2,610,543.43 Bulgarian Lev (BGN)).

Through 2019, the Helen L. Rinker Ashley Fund has provided over $1.15 million USD ($2.04 million Bulgarian Lev (BGN)) toward more than 15 critical projects in the two areas Helen specified as her priorities: infrastructure and education. CAF America facilitated these projects through our close collaboration with our CAF Global Alliance partner, BCause. BCause was instrumental in building connections with the local community to understand their needs and to coordinate projects that would be most impactful for the community, and this partnership enabled us to make Helen’s dream a reality.

From rebuilding nearly every community building in the village, to adding closed-circuit TV cameras in public areas for security, to installing a new water supply system, to rebuilding and repairing the clock tower that was damaged by an earthquake some four decades ago, Helen’s gift is improving the quality of life in Voditsa and making a difference where it is most needed. The Fund has also financed cultural events (giving birth to the local folk dancing festival), teacher training sessions, and new computers for the elementary school.

“The projects undertaken so far show how donations can change lives in a community. That is exactly the purpose envisioned by the creation of the Helen Rinker Ashley Fund.”

- Ted Hart, CEO, CAF America
ENHANCE YOUR PRACTICE

CAF America serves as a back-office resource for tax and wealth management professionals with clients engaged in philanthropic giving. As a Donor Advised Fund sponsor, CAF America offers giving solutions that can integrate into any planned giving strategy. Our expertise enables you to expand your suite of services and address the specific needs of your clients.

Regulatory Compliance and Giving Solutions
We assume all risks involved in cross-border grantmaking and take every measure to ensure regulatory compliance while protecting you and your clients’ reputations. These services are built into our grantmaking protocols, allowing for carefree, efficient, and secure giving across the globe.

Complex Asset Donations
Giving non-cash assets can be a powerful tool in any planned giving strategy and can increase the impact of your clients’ philanthropy. CAF America is well-equipped to help you transform these assets into meaningful philanthropy. By donating these assets to a donor advised fund, your client can benefit from increased flexibility in their giving.

Donor Advised Gifts
Donor Advised Gifts (DAGs) are the perfect solution for US donors who want to give globally without establishing a fund. With DAGs, donors make a single tax-effective gift to CAF America whenever desired and recommend that the funds be further granted to the foreign organization or charitable project of their choosing. CAF America can also recommend an eligible organization that fits a donor’s interests and philanthropic goals.

Invested Offerings
Funds at CAF America can be invested to maximize the impact of our donors’ charitable contributions. We allow donors to choose from a number of vetted investment portfolios, and we offer the option to restrict an investment policy to specifically ESG-aligned assets.

Flexible Giving: Domestic and International
Help your clients take their philanthropy global. DAFs at CAF America are flexible and enable your clients to support both domestic and international causes out of a single fund.

Case Study | Donating Foreign Real Estate

Background: A donor wished to donate real estate located in Mexico valued at more than $9 million to a local university, while receiving tax benefits in the US.

Challenge: The process impacted by a complex regulatory framework, involved several parties and presented many logistical hurdles. There were multiple layers of ownership: the property was owned by a Mexican trust, which in turn owned by a US trust. Using an intermediary for making the donation was necessary to maintain tax-effectiveness: for the donors to receive US tax benefits for this contribution, the property needed to be accepted by a US 501(c)(3) with the capability to then make the grant to the Mexican University.

Solution: Once a qualified appraisal was conducted by a respected third-party, CAF America provided advisory support and conducted due diligence to ensure that the gift to the Mexican University would be legally compliant and charitable in nature.

Extensive involvement from CAF America staff, including in-person site visits, resulted in the transaction being successfully approved. The donor was able to claim US tax benefits while the Mexican University received a substantial addition to a new campus.

CAF America Wealth Advisor Council | Executive Committee is composed of leaders in the wealth advisor field, and their expertise extends across a myriad of subjects. CAF America works closely with Council members to ensure that we are providing the most pertinent and valuable information to enable advisors to best serve their clients’ philanthropic goals.

Members of the CAF America Wealth Advisor Council include professionals working with:
- Bank of America Private Bank (formerly US Trust)
- PNC Wealth Management
- Hemenway & Barnes LLP
- Trident Trust Company (South Dakota)
- Karlin & Peebles LLP

Speak to one of our representatives if you are interested in learning more about the Council and how to join!
CAF America partners with corporations and corporate foundations seeking to deliver strategic and effective programs on a global scale. We work in close partnership with each of our corporate donors to ensure that your programs are transformed into meaningful impact and outcomes.

Intermediary Grantmaking
CAF America takes on all of the administrative burden of running your global programs, ensuring that you and your team can focus on designing your grants programs to maximize their intended impacts. Our compliance guarantee ensures that you can trust that all of your beneficiaries around the world are fully legitimate and in line with the rules and regulations, as well as your companies’ internal policies and partner criteria.

Grants Management Services
Partner with CAF America to extend the efficiency and impact of your team. You will again be able to focus on the tasks that will deliver the best results for your organization and the communities you serve. These services include:
- Partner or Charity Identification
- Consolidated Grant and Eligibility Applications
- Proposal Design and RFP Management
- Preliminary Application Reviews

Technical Integration
CAF America can work with your existing grant management platform to provide real-time updates about your grantmaking activities, including the eligibility status of your advised grantees and your available balance. We partner with a number of leading philanthropic technology providers; speak with us about how best to integrate our systems to maximize your efficiency.

Employee Engagement Funds
Designed to support both matching gift and volunteer grant programs, CAF America’s Employee Engagement Funds enable companies to structure initiatives that best reflect the regional culture and interest of their global employee base. Employee Engagement Funds empower employees to invest in philanthropic causes where they live and work, with the confidence of full support from their employer.

Employee Relief Funds
Employee Relief Funds at CAF America enable corporations to make grants to their employees around the globe who are experiencing financial hardship as a result of a disaster and/or emergency. CAF America offers a US tax-exempt fund that ensures all employee relief grants are IRS-compliant.

STORY OF PHILANTHROPY
Providing Access and Technology to Combat Rural Poverty
It’s a viciously simple conundrum: how can smallholder farmers raise their productivity and, by extension, their incomes, when they don’t have the financing and training needed to grow a first solid crop? In rural parts of Mexico’s southeastern state of Yucatán, poverty is extreme and farmers of white maize have very low rates of productivity. “The farm beats you when you don’t have the proper resources to farm, not even the resources to fight weeds,” said Don Cecilio Catzin Yupit, a farmer in Yucatán’s Tigre Grande community. Solution: Cargill sponsored and organized the Cargill Educampo Mayab program in conjunction with the Mexican Foundation for Rural Development.

The program provided:
- Access to agricultural supplies
- Fertilizer and technology
- Seeds
- Harvesting equipment
- Financing
- Hands-on technical assistance
- Training throughout the crop production cycle

The project lines up with Cargill Mexico’s goal to source a larger supply of white corn in a sustainable and responsible way. “Amid the ever-growing concern about food security worldwide, we believe Mexico has the capability to substantially increase food production, both for domestic consumption and as a contributor to feeding the world,” said Valeria Olson, Cargill’s director of corporate affairs in Mexico.

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MORE IMPACT STORIES: cafamerica.org/about/stories
Cross-border giving may be essential to meet your foundation’s philanthropic goals, but it can also be complicated, time-consuming, and costly. We are here to assist you. CAF America’s global reach allows you to expand your giving to foreign charities without the substantial investment in staff and training required to ensure full legal compliance.

Our compliance-driven solutions give you peace of mind and eliminate any administrative burden associated with granting to non-US beneficiaries. We offer tailored solutions to meet diverse needs.

- We provide private and family foundations with a grantmaking back office solution, so that you can avoid costly investments in staff and building expertise
- We are a preferred partner for community foundations for cross-border grantmaking and charity validation services

**Grantmaking Flexibility**

CAF America’s support for your foundation’s giving can be proportional to the volume and intensity of your cross-border grantmaking activity. Make periodic single gifts, or open a Donor Advised Fund with us so that you can advise multiple grants without needing to include each one on your Form 990 (or Form 990 PF).

**Bespoke Reporting Services**

CAF America can tailor the structure of its program support to include data collection and reporting services that best measure the impact of your programs, as well as undertake post-grant analysis. Furthermore, CAF America maps every client grant to the Sustainable Development Goals, allowing you to track your grantmaking against a global standard. Throughout our partnership, we are committed to maintaining full alignment with your program requirements and desired outcomes.

**Services Offered**

- Donor Advised Funds
- Expedited Giving
- Validation Services

**Expand Your Donor Base**

Receive tax-effective funding from Canadian donors as well, through our subsidiary organization, CAF Canada. Visit cafcanada.ca to learn more about cross-border giving from Canada.

US Nonprofits have received over $7.1 million from CAF Canada since the beginning of 2018.
The latest edition of Giving USA reported that US taxpayers donated a total of $449.64 billion to charity in 2019. Don’t miss out on the opportunity to fundraise from US donors! Work with CAF America to access tax-effective charitable donations from your US donors.

**Becoming Eligible**

**STEP 1**

Contact CAF America about becoming eligible to receive tax-deductible donations from US donors: INFO@CAFAMERICA.ORG | CAFAMERICA.ORG | +1 202-793-2232

**STEP 2**

Complete the Grant Eligibility Application (GEA)

**STEP 3**

CAF America conducts a thorough review of your organization

**BECOME ELIGIBLE**

- Receive tax-effective US donations
- Share your specific URL to your new charity page on our website
- 1.8 million organizations worldwide are eligible through CAF America. Join them today!

Avoid the burden of establishing a US 501(c)(3)

Accessing US donors is easier than ever and it can be done without establishing a US 501(c)(3). Becoming eligible with CAF America allows you to receive tax-effective donations from US donors without having to create and maintain a separate organization, letting you focus your time and energy directly on donor engagement and fundraising.

**Friends Funds Make Fundraising Easy**

Establishing a Friends Fund at CAF America is a cost-effective solution for a foreign nonprofit to access US donors. A Friends Fund is a restricted account opened by CAF America for the purpose of supporting the activities of a designated eligible foreign charity. The fund is fully restricted for grantmaking to that specific charity.

**CAF International Validated Organization Badge**

The CAF International Validated Organization badge is a digital seal distributed and protected via the Accredible system. Your digital badge and certificate will serve as a seal of assurance for donors that your organization is structured and operates as a nonprofit entity, that grant funds provided to your organization will be used exclusively for charitable purposes, and that your organization went through our extensive review to ensure against the risk of fraud, money laundering, or other illicit activities.
EDUCATION & TRAINING

To drive forward CAF America’s mission of enabling regulatory compliant philanthropic giving, we are committed to serving as a resource for the philanthropic sector, for our clients, partners, or any organization that is interested in the fundamentals of international grantmaking.

COVID-19 Reports Series
When the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic in March, 2020, CAF America embarked on a journey to chronicle the impact of the crisis on nonprofits worldwide and help donors develop data-driven giving strategies. CAF America has published 8 COVID-19 reports based on survey data from over 4000 organizations to share updated snapshots as nonprofits evolve their practices as the pandemic unfolds.

Cross-Border Giving: A Legal and Practical Guide
(Charity Channel Press)
A timely and comprehensive book, Cross-Border Giving is required reading for any professional in international philanthropy. Cross-Border Giving features 17 expert authors and covers a multitude of topics including: ethical grantmaking, the closing space for civil society, equivalency determination & expenditure responsibility, preparing for an audit, and more.

Available at
Hard Cover, Workbook and E-book

Wealth Advisor Interview Series
CAF America’s Wealth Strategy and Charitable Giving interview series explores the ways that philanthropy and wealth services intersect and features leading wealth advisors and legal professionals dedicated to incorporating charitable planning in their practice.

International Grantmaking Symposium
Launched in 2015, the International Grantmaking Symposium aimed to fill a gap in the sector by offering a training tailored specifically to the needs of professionals dedicated to advancing international philanthropy. Now in its sixth year, the IGS has become the preeminent forum for our fellow practitioners, corporate foundation colleagues, advisors, and attorneys to come together and learn about the latest rules and regulations governing cross-border giving. The IGS is a one-of-a-kind learning experience with two full days of engaging workshops and presentations.

The SDG Giving Landscape
An insight into philanthropic giving to the SDGs
CAF America made a commitment to track the alignment of its grants to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) since the goals went into effect on January 1st, 2016. The SDG Giving Landscape looks at the SDGs that rose to the top based on the level of support received and provides a window into how priorities have shifted year-by-year. In a regional and source-based setting, the report tracks the charitable giving of corporate, foundation, and individual donors through CAF America.
CAF AMERICA’S SERVICES

Donor Advised Funds

Establishing a Donor Advised Fund (DAF) at CAF America is an efficient and cost-effective way to conduct both domestic and international giving through a single fund. It eliminates the considerable time and expense required to establish and maintain a private foundation as well as obtain tax-exempt status from the IRS.

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Legacy Giving

CAF America assists donors looking to leave a charitable legacy by making donor-advised grants to programs funded by their will or estate. Our Donor Advised Fund (DAF) services allow donors to design a philanthropic legacy to include support for charitable programs beyond the standard list of US 501(c)(3) organizations.

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Expedited Giving

Expedited gifts can be made to eligible organizations within CAF America’s global database. Through our partnerships with our Global Alliance members in the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, India, and Russia, there is an ever-growing number of eligible charities you can support.

Validation Services

As a leader in cross-border giving, CAF America’s validation process goes beyond the IRS requirements ensuring that the beneficiaries of your advised grants are in compliance with the law, as well as our established best practices. CAF America has extensive expertise in making international grants based on Equivalency Determination or Expenditure Responsibility, the two tools the IRS provides for cross-border giving.

Grants Management Services

CAF America provides end-to-end back-office administration support services for a growing number of our major donors. Whether you are looking to simply identify beneficiaries that align with your mission or you are rolling out an entire grants program, CAF America is here to help.
In January 2016, when the new Global Goals went into effect, CAF America began mapping the SDGs supported by the grants made at the recommendation of its corporate, foundation, and individual donors. To provide deeper insight, we determined the SDG that best relates to each grantee’s work (primary SDG), while also identifying the possible ripple effect on other goals.

CAF America is a proud partner of the SDG Philanthropy Platform.

*5 Most supported SDGs labeled

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