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FAQ Generosity Options

What is the best way to give to Thai Village without fees?

There are two options that avoid fees:
1. Write a check to "Thai Village" and send to PO Box 132, Deerfield, WI 53531
2. Call (608) 764-8198 or email info@thaivillage.org to set up an ACH bank transfer.

Does Thai Village have volunteer opportunities available?

Yes! The most helpful way to volunteer is to host a display in your area. Sign up at www.thaivillage.org/host-a-display/ to receive a box of products. If you would like to see more volunteer opportunities, check out our volunteer tab.

Does Thai Village accept gifts of stock?

Yes! We have an account through a platform called Stock Donator that allows us to receive gifts of stock. This platform allows us to receive stock gifts which are automatically liquidated as cash donations in the form of a check to Thai Village.
See https://stockdonator.com/how-to-donate/ for more information.

What is the history of Thai Village?

Learn more about our history by checking out the history tab on our website:
www.thaivillage.org/history/

What is the plan to sustain the costs of expansion?

Thai Village has increased our donor and customer base over the past 15 years. We have budgeted to direct funds from regular monthly donations, regular monthly sales, and church partnerships over the next three years to account for the expansion costs. Contact us for a more detailed budget outline.

What do my online purchases support?

All of our products are handmade in Thailand by trained artisans and your purchases help to support our mission work in Thailand while also providing assistance to our local staff and artisans. While purchases are not tax deductible, they are still valuable in supporting our mission.

How do I direct my IRA Charitable Rollovers or IRA RMD's to Thai Village?

If you are over the age of 72, you can make gifts to Thai Village from your IRA directly as a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) with no income taxes due on the rolled over or donated funds up to $100,000. RMDs must be given by December 31 of the qualifying tax year.

Is Thai Village associated with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)?

Yes, Thai Village is affiliated with the WELS as a non-budgeted organization. You can learn more about the WELS at www.wels.net and more about Thai Village at www.thaivillage.org.

Are donations to Thai Village tax deductible in the US?

Yes! Thai Village is a US charitable 501(c)3 organization. Monetary gifts are tax deductible as charitable donations as allowed by the Federal tax code. Receiving a federal tax return? Direct your return to Thai Village's expansion fund.

When I make a donation, can my employer send a matching gift to Thai Village?

Yes! Thai Village is a charitable 501(c)3 organization and accepts employer matching funds. Thus, if your employer has a matching gift program, you can request that they send a matching gift to Thai Village. Contact us by emailing *info@thaivillage.org* for additional information.

Can I donate property or appreciated assets?

Yes! To make a gift of property or appreciated assets, please contact your local WELS Ministry of Christian giving counselor by calling 800-827-5482 or visiting *www.wels.net/christian-giving*. You can also email the WELS Foundation at *welsfoundation@wels.net*.

What is the WELS Foundation Donor Advised Fund and can it be used for Thai Village Ministry donations?

The WELS Donor Advised Fund (DAF) is a part of the WELS Foundation, which receives and administers investment funds on behalf of WELS missions, colleges, schools and church related endowments and other donated charitable funds. Individuals can set up a DAF and donate money or appreciated assets (initial minimum gift of $10,000, lesser amounts for subsequent gifts) and then designate a portion to any WELS mission, including Thai Village Inc. You can go to *www.wels.net/foundation* for more information.

Are there other WELS Foundation charitable gift options that could benefit Thai Village?

Yes! The WELS Foundation also receives and administers Charitable Gift Annuities and Remainder Trusts, which can then be designated to benefit Thai Village. You can go to *www.wels.net/foundation* for more information.

Can I designate my Thrivent Choice Dollars to Thai Village?

Yes! Thai Village is a registered recipient of Thrivent Choice Dollars. Qualified Thrivent benefit members receive Choice Dollars during the year based on their premiums and account values. These funds must be designated to registered charities during the year or before March 31 of the following year or they will be forfeited. You can go *www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/files/26087.pdf/* for more information.

Can I apply for a Thrivent Action Team grant to benefit the Thai Village Ministry?

Yes! Please contact us by emailing *info@thaivillage.org* for additional information on ways to support us. Thrivent Action Teams can be formed by any Thrivent member (2 per year) or associate member (1 per year) and are highly beneficial to Thai Village. The Action Team must be composed of volunteers and each grant (up to $250) can be used for a Service Activity or Fundraiser sale event to benefit Thai Village. Contact us to learn more of our ideas we need help with or see *www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams* for more information.

Can I direct my Amazon Smile donations to Thai Village?

Yes! Thai Village is registered on Amazon. Select us as your charity of choice, especially during the online shopping season.

What else can I donate?

Do you have legal, nonprofit, or accounting experience or expertise? Contact us to talk about being a part of our subcommittee or board of directors.