## **MEALS ON WHEELS NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS**

POLICY: DONOR BILL OF RIGHTS

Philanthropy is based on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing that is primary to the quality of life. To assure that the philanthropic efforts of the Meals on Wheels North Central Texas merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in Meals on Wheels North Central Texas, we declare that all donors have the following rights:

- 1. To be informed of the organization's mission, of the way the organization intends to use donated resources, and of its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.
- 2. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the Board of Trustees, and to expect the Board to exercise prudent judgement in its stewardship responsibilities.
- 3. To have access to the organization's most recent financial statements.
- **4.** To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
- **5.** To receive appropriate acknowledgement and recognition.
- 6. To be assured that information about their donations is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by the law.
- 7. To expect that all relationships with individuals representing organizations of interest to the donor will be professional in nature.
- 8. To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of Meals on Wheels North Central Texas or hired solicitors.
- 9. To have the opportunity for their names to be deleted from mailing lists that Meals on Wheels North Central Texas may intend to share.
- **10.** To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful, and forthright answers.