

## FAQ's about Giving at The Vine Community Church

- **Will I receive a record of my contributions?**  
Yes. The Vine periodically mails its contributors statements as well as an annual Record of Contributions for charitable giving tax purposes. Records of Contribution will be mailed to your home address and can be accessed online through your CCB account.
- **Is online giving secure?**  
We've taken steps to ensure that the giving process is safe and secure from beginning to end. All your giving data is secured by SSL encryption. SSL is an acronym for "Secure Socket Layer," a security protocol that provides communications privacy over the Internet. It is the same technology used by banks and e-commerce companies such as Amazon.com to keep your information safe and secure during transactions.
- **Does The Vine have an annual audit?**  
Yes. The Vine engages the services of an independent audit firm on an annual or bi-annual basis. The purpose of the audit is to safeguard the financial integrity of The Vine's ministries and accounting practices in accordance with biblical stewardship and generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Financial statements are reviewed and approved regularly by The Vine's Elder Ministry Team as well as The Vine's Finance Team.
- **What are The Vine's privacy and refund policies?**  
Privacy Policy: Information given through this website will not be sold or given out to any other organization for any purpose. Refund Policy: All gifts, donations, and deposits are non refundable.
- **The Budget**  
Tithes and offerings given to the church are administered based on our annual budget. Copies of the budget are available at the church. Any adjustments to budget amounts are made with the approval of our Elder Ministry Team (EMT).