

Privacy Policy

The nic.gop website is operated by Republican State Leadership Committee, Inc. ("Team .gop," "we" or "us"). This Privacy Policy applies to nic.gop and any other website offered by Team .gop, which references or links to this Privacy Policy (each a "Site" and together the "Sites"), and which may include our sites entered via tabs or portals accessible via Twitter[®], Facebook[®] or other social sharing sites. This Privacy Policy does not apply offline and does not alter the terms of any other agreement that you may have with us or our affiliates.

1. Information We Collect. "Personal information" is data that can be used to uniquely identify or contact a single person. There are a few ways in which you may explicitly and intentionally provide us with and consent to our collection of certain personal information:

We may use links throughout a Site to provide you with the opportunity to contact us via email to ask questions, request information and materials, or provide comments and suggestions. You may also be offered the opportunity to have one of our representatives contact you personally to provide additional information about our products or services. To do so, we may request additional personal information from you, such as your name and telephone number, to help us satisfy your request.

By initiating any activity or transaction that uses financial information on nic.gop, you consent to providing your financial information to us or our verified service providers processing the transaction to the extent required to provide the payment services to you.

2. Information We Receive from Third Parties. Team .gop may receive information about you (including personal information) from third parties. For example, if you are on another website and you opt-in to receive information from Team .gop, that website will forward to us your email address and other information about you so that we may contact you as requested. You may also choose to participate in a third party application or feature (such as one of our pages on Facebook or Twitter or another social platform or website) through which you allow us to collect (or the third party to share) information about you, including personal information. In addition, we may receive information about you if other users of a third party website give us access to their profiles and you are one of their "connections" or information about you is otherwise accessible through your "connections" web page, profile page, or similar page on a social networking or other third party website or interactive service.

We may also supplement the information we collect about you through the Sites with outside records from third parties in order to enhance our ability to serve you, to tailor our content to you and to offer you opportunities to purchase products or services that we believe may be of interest to you. We may combine the information we receive from these third parties with information we collect through the Sites. In those cases, we will apply this Privacy Policy to any personal information received, unless we have disclosed otherwise.

3. Cookies; Traffic Data. Whenever you visit or interact with a Site, we, as well as our service providers and any third-party advertisers, may use assorted technologies that automatically or passively collect information about how a Site is accessed and used. We refer to this information as traffic data. Traffic data may include, but is not limited to, browser type, device type used to access the Site (i.e., computer or mobile device), unique number assigned to identify such device, operating system, application version, click path taken through the Site, your use of features or applications on a Site, and other publicly available information. This information helps us improve our Sites, products and services. Traffic data is generally non-identifying, but if we associate it with you as an identifiable person, we will treat it as personal information.

Technologies we use on the Sites to collect traffic data, include but are not limited to: cookies (data files placed on your computer or other devices used to access a Site), mobile analytics software and pixel tags (transparent graphic image, sometimes called a web beacon or tracking beacon, placed on a web page or in an email, which indicates that a page or email has been viewed). Cookies may also be used to

associate you with social sharing sites like Facebook and Twitter and, if you so choose, to enable interaction between your activities on our Sites and your activities on such social sharing sites. We, or our vendors, may place cookies or similar files on your computer or other devices used to access a Site for security purposes, to facilitate Site navigation and to personalize your experience while visiting our Sites (such as allowing us to select which content is most likely to appeal to you based on your location). A pixel tag may tell your browser to get content from another server.

To learn how you may be able to reduce the number of cookies you receive from us, or delete cookies that have already been installed in your browser's cookie folder, please refer to your browser's help menu or other instructions related to your browser. If you do disable or opt out of receiving cookies, please be aware that some features and services on our Sites may not work as intended and you may not have access to all of the services and features we may offer.

4. Advertising. We may use third party ad network providers to help present ads on the Sites, as well as other service providers to evaluate and provide us with information about the use of the Platforms and viewing of our content. Such providers may place and access cookies, pixel tags, or similar technologies on your computer or other device used to access a Site to serve you ads or other content personalized to your interests, which they infer from your location and/or your browsing on the Sites and other websites you have visited. In doing so, the provider collects or has access to non-personal information such as your traffic data. The use of cookies, pixel tags, or similar technologies by these providers is subject to their own privacy policies, not ours.

If you prefer to not receive targeted advertising, you can opt-out of some network advertising programs that use your information. To do so, please visit the [DAA Opt-Out Page](#). Please note that even if you choose to remove your information (opt-out), you will still see advertisements while you're browsing online. However the advertisements you see may be less relevant to you and your interests. The DAA Opt-Out Page provides a tool that identifies its member companies that have cookies on your browser and provides links to those companies.

5. Do Not Track Requests. Unless your browser settings are configured to make your online activities and publicly available information about your online activities (such as traffic data described above) invisible to usage analytics tools, we do not presently have the capability to omit you from usage analytics to the extent your browser only sends us a "do not track" message and does not otherwise screen you from tracking without any action on our part.

6. The Registry will maintain a publicly accessible information service known as the Registry's "Whois" service, which service provides the following information pertaining to a domain name, pursuant to ICANN's Consensus Policies, which may be amended at any time and from time to time:

- a. Technical information on the DNS servers resolving a domain name;
- b. The date the domain name was inserted into the Registry's database;
- c. The date of last modification;
- d. The date of expiration;
- e. The current status of the domain name;
- f. The Registrar's contact details;
- g. The Registrant's name;
- h. The Registrant's physical address and/or alternate address;
- i. The Registrant's email and phone numbers and/or alternate address;
- j. The Registrant's state and/or alternate address;
- k. The Registrant's country and/or alternate address.
- l. Details of nominated administrative, technical and billing contacts.

It is not possible to entirely block third party access to Registrant Personal Information; it may however, be possible for Registrants to use the services of a third party to display "private" or "proxy" information in the publicly-available Whois. Even in such case however, Registrant

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7. How We Use Information We Collect. Team .gop collects and uses your personal information for a variety of business purposes, including to provide the products and services that you request, to communicate with you about them, and to do all things necessary to administer our Sites, products and services, and manage, protect and improve them.

In order to support security of the Internet, we are required to offer a WHOIS service with respect to the .gop top-level domain for which we are the registry. This service allows you or anyone else to determine the availability of domain names and the contact information for the registrar who registered a domain name on behalf of a registrant. In some instances, we are required to operate a "thick," or extensive, WHOIS service that typically contains the registrant's name, contact person's name, address, telephone number, email address, and/or IP address as provided to us by the registrar for the domain name. Via the WHOIS service, this information may be disclosed to third parties in order to determine the registrant or the registrar in case of (i) technical problems that might occur when accessing its domain; (ii) assisting law enforcement authorities in investigations, crime prevention, and matters of national security; (iii) helping to counter the infringement of third party legal rights; and (iv) preventing fraud. Team .gop will only publish that data which necessary for operating the WHOIS service.

From time to time, we may request information from you via surveys. Participation is voluntary and you have a choice whether or not to disclose requested information. Survey information will be used for purposes of monitoring or improving the use of and satisfaction with our Sites, products and services.

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8. Information We Share with Others. We may use or disclose your personal information and other information we collect to affiliates and partners in certain promotional and marketing programs, to protect the security and integrity of our Sites, to correct technical problems and malfunctions on our Sites, to technically process your information, to provide services or to take precautions against liability. We also may provide your personal information to vendors who provide services on our behalf, to your company or organization if you use our services under a corporate or other commercial account, and in connection with any services or products you purchase from us, to your credit card issuer, credit reporting and fraud checking agencies as necessary, and to debt collection agencies if you fail to pay monies owed to us or our affiliates. If you request services via a mobile device, your request will be transmitted via your mobile carrier's network and your carrier may have access to it. Consult your carrier's privacy policy for additional information.

We reserve the right to transfer any information we have about you in connection with a sale, merger, consolidation, change in control, transfer of assets, reorganization or liquidation of our business. We reserve the right to disclose any personal information as needed if that information is requested by law enforcement agencies or if we are required to do so by law, treaty, regulation, subpoena, court order, or by a government entity. We also may disclose your personal information to third parties if we have reason to believe that disclosing such information is necessary to conduct investigations of possible breaches of law, to cooperate in any legal investigation, or to identify, contact, or bring legal action against someone who may be violating our Terms of Use or any other agreement with us.

9. Use of Social Media. If you respond through a blog forum or other social sharing feature or public interactive area on a Site, you should be aware that any personal and other information you submit there can be read, collected, or used by other users of the Site, and could be used to send you unsolicited messages. Team .gop is not responsible for the information you choose to make public in such manner. You are also responsible for using such public forums, including any Sites accessed through a third-party social networking platform like Facebook or Twitter, in a manner consistent with the privacy policy and other terms and conditions applicable to such platform.

10. Security. We strive to protect your personal information from unauthorized access, loss, misuse or alteration by using physical, electronic or procedural security measures appropriate to the sensitivity of the information in our control. We safeguard your personal information on the Sites using industry-standard practices. Although guaranteed security does not exist on the Internet or offline, we make commercially reasonable efforts to make the collection and security of such information consistent with this Privacy Policy and applicable laws.

You understand that personal information that you post in public areas of our Sites (such as the social media described above) can be read, collected, or used by other users of the Site, and could be used to send you unsolicited messages. You are encouraged to exercise caution when posting personal information about yourself in public areas.

11. Opt-Out; Changes in Personal Information. If you no longer wish to receive our promotional communications, contact us by email to be removed from our lists. Be sure to include any contact information that you want removed from our promotional contacts list, including physical addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses (if you use more than one email address, send your opt-out email from each of your email addresses.) If you receive any online newsletter or similar promotional email communication from us, you will always be given the option to “unsubscribe” from receiving further email communications from us at any time. Your option not to receive promotional and marketing material will not preclude us from corresponding with you, by email or otherwise, regarding your existing or past business relationships with us (e.g., any purchase of our products or use of our services, such as a .gop website you have been granted, or responses to requests for information you pose to us either through use of a Site or by other means), and will not preclude us from accessing and viewing your personal information in the course of maintaining and improving our Sites and our services.

If you want to opt-out of receiving promotional communications from us, or if your personally identifiable information changes (such as zip code, phone, email or postal address), you may correct, update or delete/deactivate your personally identifiable information at any time by sending an email to info@dotgop.co. Note that if you have a separate agreement with us or our affiliates, you should also check the notice provisions in that agreement and update us or our affiliates if any contact information changes according to the notice provisions in that agreement. Your notifying info@dotgop.co of any personal information changes will not serve as notice under any separate agreement you may have with us or our affiliates.

12. Links. Our Sites may contain links to other sites. We are not responsible for the privacy practices or content of such other sites. We encourage our users to be aware when they leave our site and to read the privacy statements of each website to which we may link that may collect personal information.

13. Children. The Sites are not intended for use by children in the United States under the age of 13, and we do not knowingly collect personal information from such children. If we learn that we have collected the personal information of such a child we will take steps to delete the information as soon as possible.

14. Notice to Residents of Countries Outside the United States. Team .gop is headquartered in the United States. Personal information may be accessed by us or transferred to us in the United States or to our affiliates, business partners, or service providers elsewhere in the world. If you are located outside of the United States, be advised that any information you provide to us will be transferred to and stored in the United States and that, by submitting information to us, you explicitly authorize its transfer and storage within the United States. We will protect the privacy and security of personal information according to this Privacy Policy regardless of where it is processed or stored. Children under the age of majority in any jurisdiction outside of the United States should not provide any personal information without their parent’s consent.

15. Your California Privacy Rights. Pursuant to Section 1798.83 of the California Civil Code, residents of California have the right to request from a business, with whom the California resident has an established business relationship, what types of personal information the business shares with third parties for direct marketing purposes by such third party and the identities of the third parties with whom the business has shared such information in the immediately preceding calendar year. To access this information, please contact us either by email at info@dotgop.co or at the address below:

Top Level Registry, Inc.
Attention: .gop CA Privacy Information Request
1201 F Street N.W., Suite 675
Washington, D.C. 20004

16. Changes to Privacy Policy. We reserve the right to change or replace this Privacy Policy at our sole discretion at any time. In the event our Privacy Policy should materially change, we will generally

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notify our users by posting a notice of such change in a separate section of this Privacy Policy. Your continued use of any of our Sites following the posting of changes to our Privacy Policy means you accept those changes.

17. Contact Us. Team .gop welcomes your questions and comments about our Privacy Policy. Please contact us either by email at info@dotgop.co or at the address below:

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This Privacy Policy is effective May 6, 2014.