

Sky's the Limit Fund

Allocation of Operating Costs to Restricted Funds Policy

Sky's the Limit Fund (STLF) is fortunate to have a business model that results in approximately 90% of total expenses being allocated to Programmatic Expenses which includes wilderness therapy grants. Non-profit organizations in different "industries" operate financially in very different ways and it is therefore difficult to set a specific programmatic expense ratio for non-profit organizations to meet. However, non-profits are considered to be operating efficiently if they have a programmatic expense ratio of 80% or better. Historically, STLF has allocated approximately 90% of expenses towards programmatic costs and 10% towards operating costs (administrative, management and fundraising costs).

Given that administering a grant award does include incurring administrative and management expenses, it is acceptable and in line with Charity Navigator standards to allocate a portion of a restricted donation (restricted to grants for a specific wilderness therapy partner program) to these expenses. The balance of the donation will be used solely for wilderness therapy grants.

Therefore, 10% of a donation restricted to grants for a wilderness therapy partner program will be allocated to operating expenses of the organization (Sky's the Limit Fund).

(Additional information regarding Charity Navigator's rating system can be found on their website: www.CharityNavigator.org)