MASTER TERMS & CONDITIONS

Shared Threads™ & PhilanthroPayments™

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POLITICALLY NEUTRAL. OPEN TO EVERYONE.

Bring your network. Keep the campaign politically neutral.

Shared Threads welcomes lawful support and participation from across the political spectrum. Journalists and supporters may use their existing audiences to share approved campaigns. Political identity does not decide who deserves help or who may contribute.

We are hustling love: connecting people, paid work, and practical support. Assistance, coverage, payment, and access must never be traded for votes, endorsements, ideological agreement, recruitment, or loyalty to any movement.

Campaigns, funds, personal information, and official channels cannot be used to advance anyone's political agenda, including the founder's. Participation is not political endorsement. Honest stories and unrelated personal expression remain protected.

CLEAR RULES. THREE STRIKES. FAIR REVIEW.

Shared beliefs and voluntary campaign choices are not violations. Clarify gray areas first. Confirmed strikes progress from a written warning, to a final warning and defined suspension, to a lifetime ban after the third strike. Written reasons, an opportunity to respond, and correction of errors are required. Earned payments and committed recipient funds remain protected.

This is a binding program rule. Read Sections 2.2-2.7 and 13.1-13.4.

One agreement for the whole program

Shared Threads connects personal stories, apparel, paid creative work, referrals, sponsorship, and practical assistance through Gordon Rose's PhilanthroPayments™ model. These master terms combine common rules with additional provisions for each role. The Privacy Notice is included in Section 12.

Contracting party and contact

Your program agreement is with Gordon Rose, an individual operating under the Shared Threads program name and acting as its founder and intellectual-property owner. Shared Threads, we, us, and our refer to Gordon Rose in that capacity, not to an assumed separate corporation or charity. Website: https://sharedthreads.org . Support, privacy, corrections, payments, and agreement inquiries: support@sharedthreads.org . Transaction-specific notices must include any additional seller identity, address, or delivery method required by law.

Effective version

Version 3.0 is prepared for publication on or after November 14, 2026. It takes effect when published and presented for acceptance, subject to Sections 15-16. It replaces earlier public versions prospectively, without reducing accrued rights. Describing a feature does not activate it. Sample campaigns, test checkouts, and test referral records are not offers of payable earnings or funding. Financial and media commitments arise through the applicable accepted order, Campaign Schedule, or Role Record.

The central money rule

Reserve the featured recipient's allocation as campaign receipts clear. Pay qualifying referral commissions weekly. Provide recipient assistance during the campaign when appropriate, then settle the remaining recipient allocation at closeout. Pay the journalist's flat $1,400 production fee last among campaign participant payments at campaign completion under Section 9.3. Owner profit distributions follow committed obligations and appropriate reserves. A payment order does not cancel an earned debt.

Reading guide

Everyone reads Sections 1-4, 11-15, and 17-18. Applicants and featured people also read Section 5; sponsors and business partners, Section 6; referral promoters, Sections 7-8; reporters and creators, Sections 8-9; shoppers, Section 10. Section 16 supplies the common acceptance language and the required role records. More than one role means each relevant section applies.

One master document, specific campaign details

A dated Campaign Schedule or Role Record supplies the names, amounts, deliverables, permissions, and dates for a particular activity and incorporates this master document. It does not silently replace the common rules or reduce rights already earned. A general application is not a media release, funding guarantee, or accepted paid assignment. Gordon Rose retains the rights he owns; a manufacturing sponsor, payment provider, or other partner receives only the authority and rights expressly granted to it.

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Version 3.0 carries forward all numbered Version 2.0 provisions and adds the official social directory, social and testing privacy details, current underwriting and workflow descriptions, release-management rules, and the prominent political-neutrality and three-strike policy. The dates and version numbers in a Tech Log do not themselves change this agreement.

01 Scope and agreement

These terms govern the program relationship between Gordon Rose individually and the person accepting them, or the identified organization whose authorized representative accepts them. They apply to services actually used and roles undertaken. We present the version, applicable role, and material campaign details before acceptance. Mere browsing is not acceptance of a grant, paid assignment, or media release. A separate seller or service provider must be identified before its transaction is accepted; its involvement does not transfer Gordon Rose's intellectual property or release his program obligations. Keep a copy of what you accept. Official social channels and technology-supported activity are addressed in Sections 17-18. A follow, like, comment, QR scan, or ordinary website visit does not by itself accept a paid role, transfer copyright, or authorize publication of a private story.

1.1 Order of documents

Mandatory law controls. A specific Role Record signed by Gordon Rose or his authorized agent and the affected party may expressly modify a provision for that role where lawful; otherwise these terms control. Product details shown and accepted at checkout govern that purchase. Marketing, social posts, and informal conversations cannot remove promised compensation or consumer rights. Completed transactions and accrued rights retain the terms applicable when agreed. A change of operator requires notice and any legally required consent; it does not erase existing obligations or automatically transfer Gordon Rose's ownership. A Role Record cannot waive the political-neutrality and no-quid-pro-quo rules in Section 2.

1.2 Eligibility and access

Adults with legal capacity may register, contract, purchase, or apply for paid roles. A parent or legally authorized guardian must handle participation involving a minor; minors may not independently accept paid-role or financial terms. General forms are intended for adults, not children under 13. Disability, homelessness, lack of conventional documents, or a difficult past is not automatic exclusion. We consider reasonable verification alternatives and accessibility requests. International participation depends on local law and an available lawful payment method, as described in Section 8.

02 Political neutrality, dignity, and conduct

2 People before agendas

Shared Threads campaign activity is not a vehicle for political parties, candidates, ideological recruitment, or religious recruitment. People may speak honestly about their lives, beliefs, identities, and experiences. Personal beliefs are not a condition of a person's worth or consideration. Nobody may condition assistance on adopting a belief, supporting a candidate, attending religious services, buying merchandise, or providing praise. This rule concerns program activity; it does not control unrelated personal expression or protected rights. The following provisions make that founding rule explicit for every distribution channel and every role. Broad distribution is welcome; political or ideological exploitation of a campaign is prohibited.

2.1 Honesty, dignity, and conduct

Provide accurate information to the best of your knowledge, identify uncertainty, and correct mistakes. Good-faith errors and changing circumstances receive individual consideration. Intentional fraud, falsified evidence, theft, threats, exploitation, harassment, or deliberate program abuse may result in rejection or removal under Section 13. Do not expose private locations, exploit hardship, impersonate a participant, or promise benefits you are not authorized to offer.

2.2 Open participation and existing audiences

People across the political spectrum, and people with no political affiliation, may apply, buy, sponsor, report, or promote on the same program terms. Political beliefs, party membership, voting history, or an audience's ideology are not by themselves grounds for exclusion. Lawful support is welcome regardless of the supporter's political identity, subject to the same source-of-funds, safety, conduct, and transaction requirements that apply to everyone. Journalists, creators, public figures, businesses, and community members may share approved campaign stories and referral links through their existing networks, including accounts that also carry unrelated political content. Use that reach to support the person and the campaign; a politically engaged audience is not permission to turn the campaign into political recruitment.

2.3 No political or ideological quid pro quo

No one may expressly or implicitly condition assistance, selection, funding, paid work, commissions, coverage, access, or favorable treatment on a person's vote, endorsement, party or movement membership, political donation, rally attendance, ideological agreement, religious practice, or silence about lawful beliefs. Do not require a beneficiary or contributor to thank a political movement, appear in a candidate endorsement, support the founder's politics, or recruit others as the price of help. Do not package a Shared Threads campaign appeal with a demand to vote, join, donate to, endorse, or attack a political party, candidate, or ideological movement. This includes pressure applied privately, through intermediaries, or by threatening to withdraw promised support. An agreed commercial sponsorship, disclosed referral payment, or ordinary purchase remains permitted when it buys the stated nonpolitical goods or services and carries no ideological condition.

2.4 Neutral campaigns, independent politics, and no implied endorsement

Shared Threads campaign content, operations, and official channels must remain politically neutral. Giving, buying, sharing, receiving support, or having a campaign published does not imply that Shared Threads, a recipient, or a contributor endorses the other person's politics. Accurate sponsor identification, contributor credit, and financial-connection disclosures are permitted; they are not political endorsements. Do not use campaign branding, entrusted funds, recipient access, private contact lists, referral data, or program accounts for electoral activity or ideological recruitment. Do not exchange participant information or campaign access for political support. Keep any independently operated political activity, its accounts, funds, and data collection separate. This rule applies equally to Gordon Rose, staff, journalists, promoters, sponsors, and partners. No founder, donor, large audience, or private Role Record receives an exception to the program's political-neutrality rule. A personal political ambition or a future separate movement does not change this campaign purpose or authorize migration of program participants into a political audience.

2.5 Honest stories, independent journalism, and the line against recruitment

Neutrality does not require people to hide their identity, beliefs, or lived experience. A truthful participant account or relevant, accurate reporting may describe public policy, government conduct, discrimination, religion, or political experience without asking the audience or participant to adopt an ideology. Do not force a predetermined political conclusion, recast a person's hardship as a partisan endorsement, or edit their story to imply one. A contributor's separate political work or unrelated personal expression is not a violation merely because it exists. Apply this policy to the actual campaign conduct and message, not guilt by association, presumed ideology, or criticism of Shared Threads. Honest reviews, lawful complaints, whistleblowing, and other protected rights remain intact.

2.6 Three strikes, with clarification before punishment

Political-neutrality enforcement follows a three-strike process under Sections 13.1, 13.3, and 13.4. An ambiguous appeal, good-faith mistake, shared political identity, or difference of interpretation does not automatically earn a strike. First explain the concern and the applicable boundary, and allow a reasonable correction where appropriate. A strike requires a documented finding of a knowing violation or repetition after clear notice of the prohibited conduct. The first strike is a written warning and correction requirement; the second is a final written warning and a defined, proportionate suspension from affected future program activities; the third is a lifetime ban from future program participation and access, subject to applicable law and correction of an erroneous finding. Existing financial rights and uninvolved recipients remain protected. Separate serious safety, fraud, or legal misconduct may require immediate action under Section 13.1; interpretive disagreement alone does not qualify for that exception.

2.7 Voluntary campaign choice, shared identity, and observed results

A supporter, sponsor, journalist, or promoter may choose which available stories to support or propose based on a personal connection, shared experience, community ties, or perceived common ground, including apparent similarities in political outlook. No one must promote every campaign or balance their voluntary choices between political groups. Such affinity, a politically engaged audience, or uneven campaign results does not by itself establish political misuse. The boundary is conduct: do not require political disclosure, agreement, endorsements, recruitment, or continued loyalty as a condition of assistance or participation, and do not turn a campaign appeal into partisan advocacy. Shared Threads' formal eligibility, selection, and payment decisions must follow the published criteria and accepted Records without political tests; a voluntary choice does not excuse unlawful discrimination. Participants remain free to disagree or change their views without losing committed assistance or earned compensation. Any case study must distinguish observed activity from assumptions about beliefs, respect consent and privacy, and avoid inferring or recording a person's politics merely from who supported the campaign. Aggregate sales and participation outcomes may be studied without creating political profiles or recruitment lists.

03 Program boundaries, health, and consent

3 Independent private initiative

Shared Threads is a privately operated storytelling and apparel initiative using commercial sales to support a philanthropic purpose. Gordon Rose's work as an inventor and philanthropist does not make the program a tax-exempt charity, government benefit, bank, insurer, investment, employment placement service, or guaranteed housing program. A target is not a guaranteed award unless a written commitment identifies the responsible funder and amount. No sales, income, housing, treatment, or other outcome is guaranteed except an express accepted obligation. Merchandise purchases are not represented as tax-deductible charitable donations. Any qualified charitable arrangement must identify the organization and its terms before solicitation. PhilanthroPayments is the program's commercial economic model: it connects apparel purchases, recipient support, paid journalism, and referral compensation. References to an economy of participation, jobs, or living wages describe the development objective; an actual employment offer, compensation obligation, or funded grant must be identified in its accepted Record. The model may be adapted to other markets, but a historical concept or future proposal does not establish a current service or entitlement.

3.1 No medical or mental health services

Shared Threads does not provide medical advice, diagnosis, treatment, detoxification, medication management, psychotherapy, crisis counseling, or clinical clearance. Stories, interviews, referrals, intake questions, program decisions, and AI-assisted content provide general information and are not substitutes for individualized care from qualified professionals. Participation does not create a clinician-patient relationship. Staff and contributors must not present themselves as licensed professionals unless separately qualified and expressly acting in that professional role.

3.2 No legal financial or tax advice

Shared Threads does not provide legal representation, individualized legal advice, investment advice, tax advice, or benefits eligibility determinations. Participation does not create an attorney-client or financial-adviser relationship. Consult qualified advisers about legal rights, taxes, public benefits, debt, housing obligations, or the effect of receiving assistance or compensation. We do not promise that a grant or commission will be tax-free or will leave benefits unchanged.

3.3 Addiction and prescribed treatment

Substance use, addiction, treatment, or recovery does not automatically disqualify an applicant. Prescribed treatment is not misconduct. A negative drug test is not a universal requirement. Any proposed screening requires advance explanation, separate informed consent where required, a legitimate purpose, and qualified professional involvement when appropriate. Program personnel must not diagnose a person or tell them to stop medication, change treatment, or attempt unsupervised withdrawal.

3.4 Emergencies

For a suspected overdose, difficulty breathing, loss of consciousness, or another immediate medical emergency in the United States, call 911. Elsewhere, contact local emergency services. Do not wait for a reply from Shared Threads. Applications, emails, interviews, and online messages are not monitored for emergency response. Do not delay professional care because of anything said in a campaign.

3.5 Meaningful consent

Explain an interview, recording, financial arrangement, or public disclosure in language the person understands. Offer reasonable time, questions, and a support person when appropriate. Do not obtain releases through threats, deception, or pressure tied to urgent basic needs. Pause if a person appears unable to understand or voluntarily decide, including during acute intoxication or crisis. A diagnosis alone does not establish incapacity. Guardianship or other representative authority must be verified for the particular decision.

3.6 Practical safety

Participation does not require entering unsafe locations, confronting dangerous people, trespassing, breaking recording laws, or performing unapproved services. Report safety concerns and stop unsafe activity. Contributors are responsible for lawful field practices; Shared Threads remains responsible for duties imposed on it by law. Referrals to outside providers do not guarantee admission, availability, licensing status, or outcomes. Provider services require their own clearly explained arrangements.

3.7 No waiver of responsibility

These boundaries do not excuse false claims, negligent conduct, unlawful discrimination, exploitation, or a breach of an actual promise. Nothing in this document waives nonwaivable rights or prevents reporting concerns to authorities, seeking care, consulting counsel, or giving an honest review.

04 Campaign finances and protected allocations

4.1 Disclose the campaign before collecting money

Each active campaign must identify its recipient, responsible operator, merchandise price, sales limit if any, opening and closing dates, recipient allocation formula and target, sponsor commitments, referral rate, production obligations, reporter fee, fulfillment terms, payout dates, and shortfall treatment. Taxes and shipping are stated separately. Do not present a sample, pending story, test checkout, or reserved campaign number as an active fundraising opportunity.

4.2 Standard campaign allocation

For a campaign adopting the standard $40 shirt, 300-shirt, $5,000 recipient-target model, we reserve 5/12 of qualifying merchandise revenue for the recipient, up to the target. This is approximately $16.67 per full-price shirt; exact campaign-level calculations and rounding allocate $5,000 from 300 qualifying $40 shirts. Each qualifying referred shirt earns a separate $5 commission, including each qualifying shirt in a multiple-shirt order. Taxes and separately charged shipping are excluded from these calculations. A different campaign model must be disclosed and accepted before participation; no retroactive reduction applies to existing sales.

4.3 Reserve first and distinguish pending funds

When a payment settles, provisionally earmark the recipient share, the referral commission, and the budgeted production and reporting costs in separate campaign ledger accounts. Mark amounts pending until the applicable fulfillment, refund, and dispute conditions are satisfied. Keep recipient cash reserves separate from available operating cash, using a dedicated business subaccount where available, and reconcile weekly. Do not spend recipient allocations on advertising, payroll, owner withdrawals, or another campaign. A business reserve is not represented as a regulated escrow, trust, bank deposit service, or insolvency guarantee.

4.4 Balance immediate help with weekly earnings

A recipient does not have to wait until sellout to receive agreed assistance from their cleared, available allocation. Record the payment, purpose, approval, and remaining balance. Pay qualifying affiliate commissions under Section 8 without waiting for the full recipient target or campaign completion. Founder-funded assistance beyond the available recipient allocation must be identified as additional support, not silently taken from earned commissions or another recipient's funds. If support is advanced before related sales are final, the operator must fund a reasonable refund reserve separately rather than assume a vulnerable recipient can repay aid.

4.5 Shortfalls and surplus

Under the standard sales-dependent model, the recipient receives the allocation generated by qualifying sales even if the target is not reached; it is not an all-or-nothing award. An unconditional $5,000 commitment requires separately identified funding for any gap. A campaign closes on its published date even if inventory remains unsold. Extensions require notice and agreement where affected rights change. Above-target sales, restricted sponsorship, unused commission capacity, and unspent balances follow the pre-disclosed Schedule. Restricted support cannot be redirected without necessary consent or legal authority.

4.6 Accountability and obligations

Report gross merchandise receipts, refunds, recipient amounts allocated and delivered, referral commissions, reporter fees, costs, reserves, and remaining business funds distinctly. Gross sales are not profit. Fulfill customer obligations and protect required tax and dispute reserves. The journalist's flat $1,400 production fee is paid at campaign completion, last among campaign participant payments under Section 9.3. It remains a fixed obligation for accepted completed work even if sales disappoint. Owner profit distributions follow committed obligations and reserves. Do not use later campaigns' restricted funds to cover earlier deficits.

4.7 Shipping receipts and operating risk

A customer shipping fee is separate from merchandise revenue and earns no referral commission or recipient allocation. We account for shipping receipts and actual shipping and packaging costs separately. We retain any difference when the flat fee exceeds cost and absorb any shortfall when actual cost exceeds it. Higher costs, extra packages, or a large order do not create a later shipping bill for a customer who accepted the flat rate. Shipping overruns are an operating expense and do not reduce the promised recipient allocation, earned $5-per-shirt commissions, or the journalist's $1,400 fee. Agreed stock shipments to journalists remain our expense.

4.8 Standard campaign illustration and budget integrity

At the standard full-price limit, 300 shirts at $40 produce $12,000 in gross merchandise sales. The recipient allocation totals $5,000, and referral commissions total at most $1,500 if all 300 shirts qualify and are credited to eligible referrals. The accepted journalism fee is $1,400. The remaining $4,100 is before production, payment-processing, operating, and other applicable costs; it is not a promised profit. Sponsor underwriting and actual costs must be recorded separately so the same expense is not charged twice or represented as two contributions. These figures illustrate the standard full-sale campaign and do not guarantee sales, an individual promoter's earnings, or a funded $5,000 award. The Schedule governs any approved discount, different limit, surplus, or campaign-specific budget.

05 Applicants and grant recipients

5.1 Individual consideration

Applying is free and does not guarantee approval, filming, publication, funding, employment, or a specific amount. We assess program fit, needs, safety, available resources, and workable support options individually. We may request an interview and reasonable verification, explain why it is needed, and consider alternatives when conventional records are unavailable. Background or third-party checks require any notice, permission, and review rights required by law.

5.2 Your Recipient Record

Before a campaign begins, record the approved public identity, assistance goal, allocation formula, target or funded guarantee, eligible uses, payment method, planned milestones, closing date, final payment deadline, contact plan, and approved media permissions. Identify whether support is cash, goods, a payment to a verified provider, or a combination. Disclose any conditions before acceptance. The application alone does not create those obligations or authorize publication.

5.3 Recipient-directed practical support

Plan assistance with the recipient. Suitable uses may include an agreed housing deposit, rent, transportation, essential documents, work necessities, or another documented stability goal. Verify payees and invoices proportionately. Explain provider payments and any ownership or repayment terms before making them. Assistance is not a loan unless a separate, clearly identified lawful loan agreement is knowingly accepted; no such loan is created here. Do not demand control over a person's bank account, benefit access, medication, or personal relationships.

5.4 Early assistance and final settlement

Review requests for early disbursement against cleared allocation, genuine need, safety, and the accepted support plan. Earlier disbursements reduce the recipient's remaining allocation and must appear on their statement. Give a final campaign accounting and pay undisputed available amounts within 30 calendar days after campaign close, unless an earlier accepted date applies. Identify individually any lawful holds, their reasons, amounts, and review dates. Do not hold the entire allocation merely because one order or expense is disputed.

5.5 Changes withdrawal and inability to reach someone

Tell us about material changes to a stated need, contact method, provider, or safety concern. We will work toward a documented revised plan. You may decline an interview or withdraw from future participation. We may stop new campaign activity, but withdrawal does not automatically forfeit earned or committed support. If a recipient dies, cannot be located, or cannot receive funds, seek lawful recipient, representative, estate, or restricted-funds instructions; do not automatically transfer their balance to the business. Unclaimed property laws may apply.

5.6 Privacy and personal choice

You need not disclose every traumatic, medical, legal, or family detail to apply. Public disclosures require the specific authorization in Section 11. Refusing a particular sensitive disclosure is not evidence of dishonesty. Any storytelling requirement for a particular campaign must be explained before enrollment, and alternatives considered where feasible. No promise is made to remove copies already lawfully distributed by others.

5.7 Taxes benefits and disputes

You are responsible for truthful information and lawful use of support under your accepted plan. We provide records of amounts and may request legally necessary tax information securely. Ask a qualified adviser about benefit and tax consequences. If you disagree with a decision or accounting, use the review process in Section 13. Disagreement or an honest complaint alone is not grounds to withhold support.

06 Sponsors, partners, and suppliers

6.1 Define the exchange

A sponsor is a person or business supporting a campaign through money, bulk purchases, goods, services, promotion, or underwriting. A recipient or sponsee is the featured person receiving assistance. These roles are different. Sponsorship does not automatically buy editorial influence, ownership of a person's story, endorsement, exclusivity, or a tax deduction.

6.2 Sponsor Record

Document the legal parties, campaign, cash or in-kind commitment, restrictions, payment dates, approved logos and copy, recognition placements, duration, promotion obligations, fulfillment responsibilities, cancellation treatment, and any exclusivity. If sponsorship includes introducing the story to the sponsor's audience, specify the posts, channels, timing, and approvals. Do not guarantee audience size, impressions, sales, favorable reporting, or business results unless an expressly stated measurable deliverable is separately accepted.

6.3 Restrictions and unused support

Use restricted funds only for their documented purpose. State before acceptance what happens if the campaign is delayed, cancelled, undersubscribed, or reaches its goal. Obtain the required consent before substituting a recipient or purpose. Where a promised sponsorship benefit cannot be delivered, offer a documented replacement acceptable to the sponsor or a refund of the undelivered portion, subject to mandatory law and the accepted Record. In-kind values are agreed estimates, not cash receipts or guaranteed tax values.

6.4 No influence over people or reporting

A sponsor may review its own logo and factual business information. It may not require a recipient to endorse unrelated products, political positions, religion, or personal views. Sponsor status does not entitle it to private applications, medical information, raw footage, banking details, or direct access to a vulnerable person. Clearly identify paid or in-kind sponsorship in related promotional content. Conflicts involving relatives, employees, or affiliated businesses must be disclosed. A sponsor's political identity is not itself disqualifying. Political conditions, implied endorsements, and access-for-influence arrangements are prohibited under Sections 2.2-2.7, including when the sponsor offers a large contribution or a large audience.

6.5 Goods services and field activity

Suppliers must describe specifications, quantities, price, delivery, quality standards, lawful licensing, insurance where appropriate, and remedies for defective or late work in a written order. Keep customer and participant data confidential and use it only for the task. Obtain written approval before substitutions or added charges. Do not collect customer money, sign contracts, access accounts, or represent that you can bind Shared Threads without written authority.

6.6 No hidden deductions or recruitment payments

Any management fee, sales override, production charge, or sponsor repayment must be disclosed in the campaign budget before the obligation is incurred. It cannot silently reduce a recipient allocation, an earned $5 referral commission, or an accepted reporter fee. Recruitment alone earns no affiliate commission. Card-processing services, residual programs, apparel-credit rewards, lending, or other separately regulated offers are not created by these master terms.

6.7 Missed commitments

Report a likely missed deadline promptly. Resolve performance issues using notice and a reasonable opportunity to cure when safe and practicable. Document accepted work and payment owed. Suspension or cancellation does not transfer another party's intellectual property or erase an amount already earned. Unauthorized use of the brand must stop when permission ends.

6.8 Current manufacturing sponsor and future sponsors

Precision Visibility LLC is the current manufacturing sponsor. Its role concerns the agreed production, stock, and fulfillment services; sponsorship does not make it the owner of Shared Threads or Gordon Rose's PhilanthroPayments™ intellectual property, or automatically a party to every program agreement. We may appoint, replace, or use additional manufacturers and sponsors. Each receives only the limited license and authority in its written agreement. Changes must preserve accepted product specifications, delivery and refund duties, committed support, and compensation; a material substitution requires any necessary notice and agreement.

6.9 Separate businesses and payment services

A sponsor, manufacturer, or payment processor may be identified separately on a quotation, checkout, invoice, or receipt for the services it actually provides. Any legal seller other than Gordon Rose must be clearly identified before payment, together with its responsibilities. Use of a provider's payment account or facilities does not itself assign intellectual property, create a partnership or joint venture, or authorize that provider to change these terms. Gordon Rose remains responsible for his accepted program obligations, and each provider remains responsible for its own obligations. Supplier or payment-channel changes must not strand customer orders or participant balances.

6.10 Production underwriting and independent publication

Current sponsorship offerings describe a typical $1,500-$2,000 shirt-production commitment. The exact scope, cost, recognition, business link, approved promotional materials, progress updates, and sponsor sharing duties must be confirmed in a Sponsor Record before invoicing. For an approved campaign, the stated current arrangement is that Precision Visibility LLC covers the shirt-production commitment when no outside production sponsor has committed. Record that underwriting and its responsible party before opening sales; do not rely on an undocumented future contribution. Editorial publication is considered independently of whether an outside sponsor is found. This does not promise publication or funding to every applicant, transfer editorial control to a sponsor, or reduce accepted participant compensation.

07 Referral promoters and QR codes

7.1 Open participation

No competitive application, follower minimum, merchandise purchase, enrollment fee, paid training, or inventory purchase is required for referral participation. Register the information needed to create and protect your account, accept the applicable terms, and satisfy lawful age, identity, tax, and payment requirements. You may promote one campaign or several when their referral programs are active. Public registration begins only when an active campaign and supported payout route are available.

7.2 What earns five dollars

An eligible promoter earns $5 for each qualifying shirt correctly credited to their referral. Count shirts, not orders. A qualifying shirt has a captured and settled payment, has been fulfilled, has passed the applicable pre-disclosed qualification period in Section 8, and is not cancelled, refunded, reversed, fraudulent, or disputed. Taxes, shipping, tips, sponsorship, clicks, scans, views, recruitment, and free replacements earn no shirt commission. Discounts do not silently change the $5 rate on an eligible shirt. Any excluded product or promotion must be identified before promotion.

7.3 Attribution

Your personal code links you to a specific campaign. The valid referral recorded when checkout is created controls that order; there is one credited promoter per shirt. Sharing a public campaign page without your tracked link may not record a referral. A scan alone does not guarantee a recorded purchase. Cross-device browsing, lost parameters, and later visits may lose attribution; no unannounced cookie duration or lifetime attribution is promised. Check the link before sharing. Documented errors may be reviewed using order evidence before or after settlement, without double credit or secretly changing another person's completed order.

7.4 Permitted promotion

Use approved current assets, prices, participant-approved facts, and active links. Preserve the person's meaning and dignity. You control your lawful methods and time; there is no exclusive territory or minimum sales quota. Paid advertising requires prior written authorization for brand bidding, budgets, and reimbursement. Do not impersonate Shared Threads, create misleading domains, place tracking without informed action, replace another promoter's code, generate fictitious orders, spam people, buy deceptive reviews, or use unlawful calls, texts, or email lists. Campaign promotion may reach an existing political audience, but the campaign appeal must stay politically neutral under Section 2. Do not link an opportunity, purchase, or assistance to ideological support, and do not redirect campaign data into political recruitment.

7.5 Disclose the financial connection

Put a clear disclosure next to each promotional recommendation or link, such as: 'I earn $5 for each qualifying shirt purchased through my link.' In video, make the disclosure readily noticeable within the video; use spoken and visible disclosure where the promotion is both spoken and visual. Disclose during live promotions at appropriate intervals. A terms-page link, profile bio, or buried hashtag alone is not enough. Other material connections, including sponsorship or a family relationship, must also be disclosed when relevant.

7.6 Truthful earning claims

Do not promise a paycheck, guaranteed income, passive returns, financial freedom, or typical results without substantiation. Arithmetic examples illustrate a rate, not likely earnings. Expenses and taxes can reduce your net earnings. No commission is paid merely for enrolling another promoter. Genuine purchases cannot be fabricated, recycled, or refunded to manufacture a commission. Your own purchases do not earn a referral commission under the standard policy; any different disclosed campaign rule must prohibit manufactured sales.

7.7 Leaving or being removed

You may stop promoting at any time. We may deactivate future use of a code under Section 13. Account closure does not erase properly earned commissions. Refund-related adjustments and documented fraud remain reviewable. A journalist who also earns referral commissions has separate ledger entries for that commission and their production fee.

08 Weekly payments and reconciliation

8.1 Weekly referral-payment cycle

We initiate eligible referral-commission payments every Friday for shirts that became qualified by 11:59 p.m. the preceding Sunday, America/Phoenix time. If banking is closed, payment is initiated the next business day. Weekly payments begin when the earning program activates; arrival depends on bank processing. There is no minimum payout balance. No sale or no newly qualified commission may mean no payment that week. The cycle is a payment schedule, not a promise of wages, regular income, or a particular weekly amount. Mandatory earlier payment deadlines control.

8.2 Qualification period and delivery record

Under the standard rule, a fulfilled shirt becomes payout-eligible 14 calendar days after recorded customer receipt, or after a longer disclosed voluntary return period, provided funds have settled and no dispute remains. For an in-person sale, receipt is the actual handover recorded with the buyer's confirmation. For a shipped order, it is delivery to the customer, not dispatch or delivery of stock to a journalist. We disclose the qualification period before participation. Earlier estimates remain pending. Weekly payment does not mean payment immediately after a scan or purchase. Statutory consumer rights continue after qualification.

8.3 Recipient funding is protected alongside payments

Recipient reserves under Section 4 are created as receipts settle. A campaign need not sell out or reach its recipient target before qualifying commissions are paid. Early recipient assistance draws from the recipient's available allocation, not from commissions already owed. Do not withhold all promoter compensation indefinitely while waiting for a campaign milestone. Necessary operating cash and reserves must be planned before sales begin.

8.4 Zelle and international participation

The intended payout method is Zelle through a bank that supports the operator's business account. Both sender and recipient need eligible U.S. bank accounts and enrollment accepted by their banks. Verify the recipient name and enrolled email or U.S. mobile number before sending. Never request banking passwords, one-time codes, or a payment to unlock earnings. Zelle does not itself make the program available for worldwide payouts. People outside its supported banking coverage need a lawful written alternative agreed before paid referral activity begins. Any legally earned unpaid amount remains owed; payment friction is not forfeiture.

8.5 Statements and fees

Provide a statement showing campaign, credited units, pending and qualified amounts, reversals, holds with reasons, amounts paid, and remaining balance. Keep recipient details private. The standard $5 rate is not reduced by undisclosed ordinary processing or payout fees. Any currency conversion or unavoidable recipient-bank charge must be explained in advance where known. The promoter supplies accurate payment details and cooperates with correction of a mistaken transfer. We remain responsible for errors we cause.

8.6 Refunds fraud and holds

Hold only the amount reasonably connected to a specific unresolved return, dispute, identity issue, or suspected abuse, unless broader evidence or law requires more. Give the reason and review date and pay undisputed balances. Reversed qualifying units reverse the corresponding commission. A partial refund requires review of affected units rather than automatic permanent cancellation of all order commissions. After an erroneous overpayment, provide records and an opportunity to dispute it; any offset or repayment must be lawful, limited to the supported amount, and must not reduce another person's allocation.

8.7 Review closeout and tax records

Request corrections promptly; reporting after 30 days does not automatically waive a valid claim. Acknowledge payment complaints within five business days and aim to resolve them within 30 calendar days, explaining any extension. Final undisputed qualified referral balances are paid on the next weekly cycle after closure; pending units follow their existing qualification dates. The journalist's separate $1,400 production fee follows Section 9.3, not weekly referral payments. Request required tax information securely and issue information returns or withhold only as legally required. Calling someone an independent contractor, or paying through Zelle, does not determine their legal employment status.

09 Reporters and creative contributors

9.1 Beginners and professionals

Professionals, amateurs, and beginners may express interest. No press credential, expensive equipment, or follower minimum is automatically required. Be accurate about experience, availability, travel capacity, equipment, upload capability, and any conflicts. Applying or submitting an unsolicited idea does not create a paid assignment. Accept a written Assignment Record before incurring compensated work or reimbursable expenses. In the current intake workflow, interviewers make the connection, obtain permission, record the interview, and submit original footage; the Shared Threads team handles editorial preparation and campaign video production. The accepted Assignment Record specifies the contributor's actual production package, so applying does not silently require professional editing or additional unpaid deliverables.

9.2 Flat production fee

For an accepted standard campaign journalism assignment, the production fee is a flat $1,400 for the completed and accepted production package. The $1,400 is consideration for both the agreed production services and the commissioned ownership and reuse rights in Sections 9.6-9.8; no independent reuse license is retained by the journalist. These terms must be disclosed and accepted before work begins. The Assignment Record identifies the journalist, campaign, deliverables, raw footage and supporting materials, technical requirements, delivery dates, objective acceptance criteria, revision limits, credits, expenses, ownership provisions, and payment deadline. This fee is not automatically payable to every applicant or interview subject. Additional work, partial delivery, cancellation, and any kill fee must have agreed treatment before work begins. Stock shipping covered by Shared Threads under Section 9.11 is not deducted from the $1,400 fee.

9.3 Paid last at campaign completion

The $1,400 production fee is paid once at campaign completion, last among campaign participant payments, after recipient support due at closeout has been disbursed and qualifying referral commissions then due have been paid. It is not a weekly production installment. The Campaign Schedule must define completion, the sales closing date, reconciliation steps, and a firm final payment deadline before the assignment is accepted. Under the standard closeout rule, reconcile and pay the fee within 30 calendar days after sales close, even if the sales target was not reached. Pending returns or later-maturing referral units require appropriate reserves; they do not postpone the entire fee indefinitely. The operator funds any shortfall for accepted completed work. Mandatory earlier payment rights control. Separately earned referral commissions remain payable weekly even when the promoter is also the journalist.

9.4 Honest reporting and consent

Identify yourself and the purpose of an interview. Obtain lawful recording permission and the program's specific publication authorization before using protected material. Do not trespass, impersonate an official, coerce a source, stage events as real, invent quotes, conceal paid promotion, or promise confidentiality you cannot protect. Preserve originals, dates, sources, and context. Distinguish allegation, opinion, and verified fact. Offer a fair opportunity to respond to material adverse claims when appropriate, and send corrections promptly.

9.5 Raw footage and AI-assisted production

Submit agreed raw video, audio, stills, notes, permissions, and source files through the designated secure route. Shared Threads may use approved AI tools, including OpenAI services, to assist transcription, organization, drafting, captions, translation, and editing under Section 11. Human editors must check important facts, quotations, identities, and context against the source material. AI output is not evidence by itself. Do not upload confidential or sensitive material to an unapproved personal AI account.

9.6 Gordon Rose ownership of commissioned footage

The journalist and Gordon Rose individually, or his authorized signing agent, must sign an Assignment Record incorporating these terms before commissioned production begins. All newly created raw and edited video, audio, photographs, interview recordings, transcripts, edits, and agreed production files for that assignment are commissioned for Gordon Rose operating Shared Threads. To the extent legally eligible, the parties expressly agree that they are works made for hire for Gordon Rose. Otherwise, the journalist hereby assigns to Gordon Rose individually all of the journalist's right, title, and interest in those commissioned works, including copyright, upon creation, subject to nontransferable and nonwaivable rights. The transfer covers commissioned material, not unrelated personal work or an application. A manufacturer or sponsor acquires no ownership through its involvement.

9.7 Broad reuse of owned material

Gordon Rose and those he authorizes may use the owned commissioned material worldwide for the duration of the rights acquired, in all media and formats now known or later developed, including editing, excerpts, adaptations, compilations, translation, publication, distribution, licensing, sublicensing, promotion, monetization, and future productions and campaigns. No additional journalist approval or reuse royalty is due within the acquired rights unless a signed Record expressly states otherwise. The rights remain subject to participant releases, confidentiality, privacy, third-party licenses, and nonwaivable law, including applicable statutory termination rights. Ownership does not permit false statements, unauthorized sensitive disclosures, or likeness use beyond consent.

9.8 Source files and rights clearance

Deliver all commissioned raw footage, audio, stills, edits, and agreed project files, together with available consent and rights records, through the approved secure channel by the stated deadline. Identify pre-existing material, music, stock assets, collaborators, and restrictions before including them. Obtain written approval and rights adequate for the intended use; the journalist cannot transfer a third party's copyright by declaration. If approved journalist-owned pre-existing material is incorporated, the signed Record must provide the license needed to use it with the commissioned work. Shared Threads does not acquire ownership of the journalist's equipment or unrelated files. Independent use, including portfolio use, is governed by Section 9.12.

9.9 Professional and payment rights

The fixed fee includes the commissioned rights described above. Shared Threads remains responsible for paying the fee on time; an ownership clause does not excuse nonpayment. The journalist will reasonably cooperate with documents needed to confirm the agreed transfer, with unusual additional costs agreed in advance. An independent contractor relationship is intended only where the actual working arrangement satisfies applicable law. No contract label waives wages, benefits, reimbursement, or other rights owed by law.

9.10 Independence and conflicts

Disclose sponsorship, family relationships, referral commissions, outside advocacy, and financial interests relevant to coverage. Compensation buys agreed work, not a predetermined factual conclusion. Preserve the participant's voice while maintaining accuracy. Personal political or religious beliefs do not control selection; deliberate use of campaign work for prohibited recruitment is addressed under Section 13. A politically active journalist may distribute approved campaign work through an existing following while maintaining the boundaries in Sections 2.2-2.7. The assignment documents and supports the participant's story rather than obtaining political allegiance. The selection rule above concerns formal program eligibility and editorial approval; it does not prohibit a voluntary supporter or contributor from choosing stories they connect with under Section 2.7. The same neutrality rule applies to the assigning editor and founder.

9.11 Stock shipments, local handoffs, and direct shipping

Shared Threads arranges shirt production and deployment and pays shipping for agreed campaign stock shipments to the journalist's designated address. Stock-shipment charges are not billed to the journalist or deducted from the $1,400 fee, earned referral commissions, or recipient allocation. The journalist may hand over stock locally within the agreed service area, with no carrier shipping charge to that customer. A customer requesting direct shipping pays the single $14.95-per-order charge under Section 10.8, regardless of the number or sizes of shirts sent to one eligible address. Additional local-delivery compensation or reimbursable expenses require a written agreement; the production fee does not silently require unlimited delivery work.

9.12 Express written permission for journalist reuse

Except to perform the commissioned assignment or under express written permission from Gordon Rose or his authorized rights representative, the journalist may not independently publish, upload, repost, distribute, re-edit, adapt, sell, license, sublicense, monetize, or use commissioned material in a portfolio, reel, advertisement, or another project. This includes raw footage, outtakes, audio, stills, excerpts, and derivatives. Permission identifies the material, uses, channels, duration, credit, and editing limits. Silence, file delivery, payment, or permission for one use does not permit another. Sharing official links or approved assets is allowed within written promotional authorization. Retained copies must be secure and subject to reasonable return or deletion instructions, lawful evidence retention, and mandatory rights. Protected reporting, truthful criticism, lawful disclosures to advisers or authorities, and nonwaivable rights remain protected.

10 Orders, fulfillment, shipping, and returns

10.1 Items, sizes, quantities, and total price

Before payment, checkout identifies the legal seller, campaign, item and design, available size choices, quantity for each size, material information, merchandise price, applicable tax, shipping charge, expected dispatch timing, and return terms. Customers may buy multiple shirts in different available sizes in one order and must review the size-and-quantity summary before paying. Each qualifying referred shirt earns its own $5 commission under Section 7; the order receives only one applicable shipping fee. Mockups may show minor screen or print variation, but supplied items must materially match their descriptions. A purchase is for merchandise, not an investment or automatic charitable donation. Changes to linked QR content must not defeat a material sales promise.

10.2 Authorization and order acceptance

Use only a payment method you are authorized to use and provide accurate delivery information. The seller may review an order for fraud, inventory, or obvious errors. A material price or product correction requires the customer's agreement or cancellation and refund; the seller may not charge a new amount without consent. Inventory limits must reflect actual fulfillment capacity. An order confirmation and receipt identify the seller and order reference.

10.3 Fulfillment and delays

We dispatch within the promised timeframe and do not postpone an accepted order because a campaign has not reached its target. When the FTC Mail, Internet, or Telephone Order Merchandise Rule applies and no shipment time was stated, we must have a reasonable basis to ship within its default 30-day period. If timely shipment becomes impossible, we give the required delay notice and cancellation/refund choice, obtain legally required consent, or cancel and refund. Required deadlines and any stronger applicable rights control. Campaign-support language does not authorize retaining payment for undelivered goods.

10.4 Change-of-mind returns and custom orders

Ordinary campaign shirts may be returned unworn and unwashed within 14 calendar days of customer receipt under our voluntary return policy. The customer pays return shipping for a change of mind unless the listing offers better terms or applicable cancellation law requires otherwise. A disclosed, lawful exception may apply to personalized custom items, but never eliminates remedies for defective or incorrect goods. Approved custom artwork controls spelling and layout; approval does not excuse materially different production. Cancellation before production or dispatch follows the disclosed order status and mandatory law. Statutory rights and Section 10.11 take priority over this voluntary policy.

10.5 Defective incorrect missing or damaged items

Contact support with the order reference and available evidence as soon as practical. Do not send sensitive identification with a routine return. We will investigate and provide the replacement, refund, repair, or other remedy required by law and the order terms. We cover reasonable return costs for an item we supplied incorrectly or defectively. The voluntary 14-day window does not shorten statutory rights, warranty rights, or the time allowed by law to report a defect. 'All sales final' does not override those protections.

10.6 Refund handling

Where a refund is approved, initiate it promptly and within any legally required deadline, normally to the original payment method. Explain amounts retained only where expressly disclosed and lawful; do not impose an undisclosed restocking fee. A full cancellation for unshipped goods includes the amounts required by law, including related charges. Bank posting time may vary. Refunds adjust campaign allocations and commissions in the ledger. Customers are not required to waive lawful chargeback or dispute rights to obtain service.

10.7 Failed campaigns and continuing support

A campaign's failure to reach a support target does not by itself cancel a fulfilled merchandise purchase under a clearly disclosed sales-dependent model. If a promised campaign use becomes materially impossible or the sale was materially misrepresented, review affected orders and provide remedies required by law and the accepted campaign terms. Disclose any change before taking further orders. International orders are offered only where shipping, duties, taxes, returns, and consumer obligations can be supported and disclosed.

10.8 One flat shipping fee per order

Standard direct-to-customer shipping is $14.95 for the entire order sent to one eligible address, regardless of the number of shirts or the mix of sizes. The fee is per order, not per shirt or package. If we split that order into multiple packages, we absorb the additional shipping cost. Shipping is excluded from the $5-per-shirt commission calculation and recipient merchandise allocation. Separate orders or separate delivery addresses each incur their own disclosed fee unless we expressly agree otherwise before payment. Accepted destination availability and any separately requested expedited or international service are shown before payment. We do not add a quantity surcharge, actual-cost adjustment, or later shipping bill to an order accepted at the flat rate.

10.9 Received in person or ship to me

Before payment, the customer chooses either received in person, with $0 carrier shipping, or ship to me, with the applicable shipping charge and a delivery address. Received in person may be confirmed only after physical handover of all items covered by that confirmation. We record the items, sizes, quantities, buyer confirmation, handover date, campaign, and referral identifier, and reconcile payment separately. A scan or successful payment alone does not prove receipt. A shipped order remains awaiting fulfillment until the relevant fulfillment occurs; carrier dispatch is not customer delivery. Stock sent to a journalist is not delivery to the buyer. Unreceived or mixed-fulfillment items require an accurate separate order or documented arrangement before payment, never a false receipt confirmation.

10.10 UPS Ground and actual shipping costs

UPS Ground is our primary standard carrier service where available. We may use another appropriate service when necessary, subject to accepted delivery commitments. Carrier prices, zones, weight, packaging, fuel and other surcharges, and final carrier adjustments can vary outside our control; the actual cost may not be known until packing, dispatch, or later carrier reconciliation. Those variations do not change the customer's accepted flat fee. Carrier estimates are not guaranteed arrival dates unless expressly sold as such. We assist with loss, damage, and delay claims and remain responsible for remedies required by law and the order terms. Customers must supply an accurate deliverable address; any requested reroute or other additional service must be priced and accepted before extra billing.

10.11 Door-to-door sales and cancellation rights

Covered home and temporary-location sales retain all cancellation rights under the FTC Cooling-Off Rule and applicable state law. For a covered sale, the seller must provide the required dated contract or receipt identifying its name and address, the cancellation notice, and two copies of the cancellation form, in the required language and format. Where the federal rule applies, cancellation is allowed through midnight of the third business day after the sale; Saturday counts, while Sundays and federal holidays do not. Longer or broader state protections control where applicable. Required refunds and return or collection arrangements follow the applicable deadlines. An in-person receipt acknowledgment or payment through a QR-linked checkout does not waive these rights or replace the required documents.

11 Stories, intellectual property, and AI

11.1 Intake is private by default

A general application, contact message, or master-terms checkbox does not authorize public use of a name, likeness, voice, medical history, location, or personal story. Before recording or publication, complete an affirmative Media Authorization within the Role Record, identifying the person, material, campaign, intended uses, public identity, restrictions, and compensation if any. Obtain additional guardian or other lawful permissions when required. Do not assume a parent's permission transfers ownership of another creator's work.

11.2 Participant permissions and commissioned ownership

A participant's Media Authorization grants Gordon Rose operating Shared Threads only the permissions described and accepted for their identity, voice, likeness, story, and supplied material. It may expressly cover program-wide reuse, future campaigns and productions, promotion, merchandise, and archives, with uses, territory, duration, and limits stated before consent. Standard participant permission is nonexclusive and does not transfer all the participant's creative rights. It is separate from the journalist's assignment to Gordon Rose of newly commissioned footage and production files under Sections 9.6-9.8. Owning footage does not expand the participant's consent or remove privacy, confidentiality, or third-party restrictions.

11.3 Accuracy sensitive details and review

Editing may shorten or rearrange material for clarity without materially falsifying what a person said or did. Identify any agreed factual or sensitive-detail review before first publication and its deadline. Confirm the approved display name, story summary, garment design, and any disclosed health or family information. The participant may identify safety risks and factual errors. Any editorial disagreement must be resolved without inventing facts or retaliating over an honest complaint. Do not publish private addresses, identifying documents, or children's sensitive details merely because they appeared in raw footage.

11.4 AI and synthetic material

Authorized material may be processed with approved AI services, including OpenAI, for the production tasks described in Section 9.5 and the authorization. Explain whether sensitive identifiable footage will be uploaded and the applicable service arrangements before collection or upload. Minimize or redact data when feasible. Do not claim that every AI service keeps uploads private or excludes them from training without verifying its settings and contract. Human review is required. Voice cloning, a digital likeness, fabricated speech, or substantial synthetic reenactment of an identifiable person requires additional explicit permission and appropriate labeling. Do not portray generated material as authentic footage or evidence.

11.5 Withdrawal and archives

Before first publication, a participant may withdraw permission for future use of their identifiable story through the stated contact route. After lawful publication, consider privacy, safety, correction, and removal requests promptly. Stop new uses where required by law or the authorization. Previously distributed physical products, lawful records, independent copies, search caches, and third-party shares may not be fully retrievable. State any continuing archive permission expressly; there is no hidden perpetual unrestricted license in an intake form. Withdrawal does not automatically erase earned compensation or grant obligations.

11.6 Gordon Rose retained intellectual property

Gordon Rose individually retains all right, title, and interest he owns in the Shared Threads and PhilanthroPayments™ names and branding, original writings, designs, software, economic-model documentation, program materials, commissioned media acquired under Section 9, and legally protected confidential know-how. PhilanthroPayments™ identifies his branded economic model and related offerings. Making that work available for a philanthropic purpose is not an assignment to the public, dedication to the public domain, or transfer to Precision Visibility LLC or another sponsor. Participation grants only the limited permissions expressly stated. This clause applies only to rights Gordon Rose actually owns or validly acquires; it does not take another person's pre-existing rights.

11.7 Brand continuity and authorized representation

Use only current approved Shared Threads names, logos, Energy Man artwork, campaign assets, and referral materials within the written authorization granted. Do not alter protected assets, remove required attribution or notices, create purportedly official accounts or domains, issue credentials, offer sponsorships, collect money, or claim authority to bind Shared Threads without express written permission. Do not imply current employment, partnership, endorsement, or representative status after authorization ends. A truthful description of past credited work is permitted if it does not imply a current relationship; reuse of the footage still requires Section 9.12 permission. Stop unauthorized brand use and correct misleading claims when notified. Shared Threads may withdraw asset permissions and suspend access under Section 13 while addressing misuse; earned payment obligations remain. These rules do not prohibit honest reviews, lawful criticism, or protected uses of the name.

11.8 Scope of protection and reserved rights

Trademark rights concern protected source-identifying uses; the ™ symbol does not claim federal registration. Copyright protects eligible original expression, not an abstract economic idea, procedure, or business method by itself. These terms do not assert that an unissued patent exists or create exclusive rights beyond applicable law. Pre-existing and third-party materials remain with their owners unless specifically transferred, and incorporated material needs an adequate license. No rights are granted by implication. Independent honest reviews, lawful reporting, criticism, quotation, and other protected uses remain permitted. Ownership or exclusivity in AI-assisted material is claimed only to the extent legally available.

11.9 Limited brand licenses and confidential materials

Promoters, journalists, sponsors, and manufacturers may use approved assets only for their authorized purpose, channels, and period. They may not register, sell, sublicense, or present themselves as owning the brand without Gordon Rose's express written authorization. Authorized partner use is subject to brand standards and quality review; any resulting trademark goodwill benefits the lawful rights owner. Nonpublic materials identified as confidential must be protected and used only for the agreed task. That restriction excludes information lawfully public, independently developed, lawfully obtained elsewhere, or required to be disclosed by law, and does not prohibit protected disclosures. Public descriptions of the model are not made secret merely by this clause.

11.10 Future sponsors, licensees, and operating entities

Replacing or adding a manufacturer, sponsor, processor, licensee, or operating entity does not itself transfer Gordon Rose's retained intellectual property. A transfer requires an express written instrument executed by the actual rights owner and any other legal formalities. A limited license is not ownership. A future entity may operate under an agreed license without owning the underlying rights. Changes affecting a participant's contracting party, personal information, compensation, or accepted permissions require applicable notice and consent and must preserve existing obligations. Gordon Rose may authorize others to exercise acquired media rights within Sections 9 and 11; their use remains subject to the applicable releases and restrictions.

12 Privacy notice and communications

12.1 Responsibility and information collected

Gordon Rose, operating Shared Threads, is responsible for personal information he controls. Depending on your activity, we collect contact information, application responses, city and state, supplied materials, relevant eligibility information, permissions, contributor availability, selected items and sizes, quantities, handover confirmations, delivery addresses and records, referral identifiers, commission and payout records, and correspondence. Hosting and payment services may process device, log, security, cookie, and transaction data. We do not request sensitive records through ordinary public forms. A separate seller or provider remains responsible for information it independently controls. When you interact with an official social account, we may also receive the public profile information, comments, messages, attachments, interaction records, and aggregated engagement information that the platform makes available for that interaction. We do not gain general access to your private account or unrelated conversations merely because you follow us.

12.2 Why we use it

We use information to respond to requests, evaluate applications, administer agreed support, manage permissions, fulfill orders, attribute referrals, produce authorized stories, make and reconcile payments, prevent abuse, answer disputes, and meet legal duties. Where applicable law requires a legal basis, rely on the relevant contract, legal obligation, properly assessed legitimate interest, or valid consent for the particular purpose. A privacy acknowledgment is not blanket consent to every use. Do not make automated decisions with significant eligibility consequences without the protections required by law. Program information is not collected or used to build a political audience, political profile, candidate contact list, or ideological recruitment pipeline. A separate political activity must obtain its own information and any required permission independently; access to program records cannot be used as a shortcut.

12.3 Sensitive information and children

Do not submit Social Security numbers, full identity documents, banking credentials, payment-card numbers, or medical records through a general form, ordinary email, comments, or public upload. Request necessary identity or tax information only through a designated secure process. Avoid collecting unrelated sensitive details. Adult guardians handle family applications; do not knowingly collect online personal information directly from a child under 13 without the legally required process. If child data is received improperly, restrict use and address deletion or lawful consent promptly. Sensitive-story publication requires Section 11 permission.

12.4 Sharing and service providers

We share only what is reasonably needed with authorized staff and providers for hosting and forms, payment processing, fulfillment, secure storage, accounting, and approved media production. The current workflow includes GoDaddy for the website and forms; Square for applicable checkout and order services; approved OpenAI tools for AI-assisted production, development, and testing; Meta services for official Facebook and Instagram interactions and any separately enabled messaging; Google services for YouTube and the reCAPTCHA shown on website forms; and eligible banks using Zelle for intended payouts. A listed provider or account connection does not mean that every integration is active or that every provider receives every data category. Each provider's independent services may have separate terms and privacy notices. Recipient information is not available to affiliates merely because they promote a campaign. Sponsors receive agreed public information and appropriate reporting, not private application files. Publicly authorized stories can be copied by others.

12.5 Other disclosures and transfers

We disclose information when legally required, to protect rights and safety through a proportionate lawful response, or in a business transition subject to notice and required consent. Processing may occur in the United States and other locations used by service providers; use legally required transfer safeguards. We do not sell application files, medical narratives, or payout data for unrelated advertising. Any advertising or analytics practice treated as a sale or sharing by applicable privacy law requires accurate notice and the applicable choices before use.

12.6 Retention security and requests

We retain information only as reasonably needed for the disclosed purpose, active permissions, fulfillment, accounting, tax, disputes, legal duties, and agreed archives; periodically review and securely delete or de-identify unnecessary records. We restrict access and use reasonable security safeguards; no system can guarantee absolute security. Contact us to request access, correction, deletion, a copy, consent withdrawal, or applicable privacy choices. Verify requests proportionately and explain lawful retention limits. We do not discriminate for exercising protected privacy rights. We notify affected people of incidents when legally required.

12.7 Messages cookies and choice

Application, order, payment, and safety communications are separate from optional marketing. Obtain marketing consent separately where required and honor opt-outs. Do not condition support or commission payment on promotional subscriptions. Explain nonessential analytics and advertising cookies and obtain consent or honor opt-outs where applicable; a terms checkbox does not substitute for a required cookie choice. Essential security or referral functions may affect functionality when blocked. Contact the operator's published privacy channel with concerns; you may also complain to a competent regulator.

12.8 Applicable state privacy rights

Where applicable state law gives you additional rights, we honor its requirements, including access, correction, deletion, portability, applicable sale/sharing or targeted-advertising opt-outs, sensitive-data choices, authorized-agent requests, and appeals of denied requests. We honor legally required browser preference signals and response deadlines where applicable to our activities. Contact us through the route on the first page; we explain any lawful exception or verification need. A denial includes the available appeal route when required. These terms do not replace additional notices or choices required for a particular state or processing activity, and consent to participation does not waive protected privacy rights.

12.9 Social pages, embeds, and platform information

A public comment, reaction, or share may be visible to other people and processed under the platform's own rules. Direct messages are not public posts, but may be accessed by authorized account administrators and the platform under its service arrangements. We use them for the inquiry and relevant program administration, subject to the retention and access limits above. Social links take you to a separate service; embedded players, social plug-ins, analytics, or advertising tools can involve additional device or cookie processing if enabled. We must assess and disclose the actual configuration and provide legally required consent or opt-out choices before such processing. Merely linking an account is not consent to cross-platform advertising, contact-list uploads, or unrestricted data combination.

12.10 Referral data and development testing

Referral identifiers associate a promoter and campaign with an order; they are not intended to expose private participant or payout details. Use non-sensitive identifiers in public QR codes and links. Limit access to the mapping and transaction records to people who need them for operations, reconciliation, or disputes. Use synthetic or de-identified data for development and AI-assisted testing where practical. Real personal data requires a documented necessary purpose, appropriate authority, provider settings, safeguards, and any required consent. Do not put payment-card details, banking credentials, access tokens, tax identifiers, or unapproved sensitive stories into public code, test reports, or ordinary AI chats. Separate test records from payable production records and remove unnecessary test data.

13 Review, complaints, and suspension

13 Fair review and suspension

Credible safety, fraud, legal, or account-security concerns may justify a proportionate immediate pause. Give notice of the material reason, affected activities or amounts, and how to request review, unless doing so would create a concrete safety or legal risk. Distinguish uncertainty and good-faith mistakes from knowing abuse. Permit relevant evidence and correct decisions based on inaccurate information. Political-neutrality concerns follow the process in Sections 2.6 and 13.1-13.4. Gordon Rose makes the final internal determination in good faith under these published rules. Where practicable, obtain an advisory review from someone not involved in the disputed events, especially when a complaint concerns the founder; this does not replace the final internal decision or restrict external legal rights.

13.1 Three-strike sanctions and separate serious misconduct

For political, religious, or ideological misuse of campaign activity, apply the following sequence after notice and review. Strike one: a written warning identifying the conduct, the rule, the required correction, and a reasonable deadline. Strike two: a final written warning and a proportionate suspension limited to affected future program activities; the notice states its scope, start and end dates or objective conditions for return, and the corrective steps required. Strike three: removal and a lifetime bar from future program participation and access, including journalist, referral, sponsor, partner, and representative roles, to the extent permitted by law. Sections 13.3-13.4 govern findings, response, counting, and reconsideration. A temporary protective pause may stop ongoing harm during review without being a strike or final finding. Independently established fraud, theft, threats, unlawful conduct, or serious safety misconduct may justify immediate suspension or termination under the applicable rules; a subjective neutrality disagreement cannot be relabeled as serious misconduct to bypass three strikes. No sanction confiscates earned compensation, committed recipient allocations, required refunds, or other accrued rights, or penalizes an uninvolved recipient. Where a role ends, arrange a reasonable transition for existing obligations. A banned person must not evade the restriction through another account or intermediary.

13.2 Complaints corrections and claims

Use the published contact channel with the campaign or order reference, the concern, and a safe reply method. Do not post private evidence publicly. We aim to acknowledge complaints within five business days and give a substantive response or status update within 30 calendar days. Request prompt correction of materially inaccurate published facts. You may contact regulators, payment providers, law enforcement, counsel, or a court without first completing this informal process. This process does not shorten legal claim deadlines.

13.3 Notice, evidence, response, and final internal decision

Before confirming a strike, send written notice describing the specific conduct, applicable provision, material evidence or a fair summary that protects third-party privacy, proposed consequence, and how to respond. Ordinarily allow at least seven calendar days to respond, with reasonable extensions when circumstances warrant; an urgent protective pause need not wait. Consider context, intent, prior clarification, any correction, and the person's response. Gordon Rose is the final internal decision-maker, exercising reasonable, good-faith judgment under the published policy rather than an unrestricted power to redefine it after the event. A finding must identify evidence supporting the violation; suspicion, audience labels, dislike of a viewpoint, or unequal campaign outcomes are insufficient on their own. Issue the written result with reasons, the strike count if any, and any correction or suspension conditions. Apply the same standard to all roles and political viewpoints. Do not count a strike merely because someone challenges the finding, criticizes Shared Threads, or seeks outside review. A change in policy applies through Sections 15-16, not a retroactive interpretation designed to punish conduct previously permitted.

13.4 Separate incidents, correction, and reconsideration

Count one strike per distinct incident or connected course of conduct, not one per post, screenshot, recipient, or clause arising from the same episode. A second or third strike requires new or continued prohibited conduct after the prior written strike notice and a reasonable opportunity to comply; do not stack previously unnotified episodes into an immediate third strike. Continuing the identified conduct after that opportunity may be a new incident, but each strike still requires its own notice and finding. Correcting a knowing violation does not automatically erase a properly issued strike; a clarification-only matter or unsubstantiated complaint is not a strike. Confirmed strikes remain on the program record unless overturned. A person may request reconsideration with reasons or evidence through support, normally within 30 calendar days of the decision; material factual errors may be raised later. Gordon Rose reviews the request and provides written reasons, with the response or status timetable in Section 13.2. Remove an erroneous strike, recalculate the count, and lift consequences that no longer apply. Do not make correction or reinstatement conditional on political agreement, praise, payment, or abandoning a protected complaint. These internal steps do not limit a court, regulator, payment dispute, or other nonwaivable right.

14 Service limits and responsibility

We do not guarantee uninterrupted website access, perpetual third-party hosting, scanner compatibility, campaign success, or a professional-service outcome. We will make reasonable efforts to correct errors affecting attribution and payments. Service interruptions do not erase known balances. Any disclaimer applies only as far as law permits and does not remove express promises, required product warranties, obligations to deliver or refund purchases, payment duties, or nonwaivable rights.

14.1 Limited allocation of risk

To the extent permitted by law, neither party is liable under these terms for remote or speculative losses that were not reasonably foreseeable when the relevant agreement was made. This does not exclude fraud, willful misconduct, gross negligence, legally protected personal-injury claims, statutory remedies, lawful wages, earned compensation, committed recipient allocations, required refunds, or liability that cannot be excluded. No blanket release of negligence, mandatory arbitration clause, class-action waiver, or waiver of honest reviews is imposed by these terms.

14.2 Third-party claims and disruptions

Each party remains responsible for its own unlawful conduct and breach. An indemnity for a sponsor, vendor, or commissioned creator must be separately and clearly agreed, with appropriate limits and defense procedures; it is not hidden in a recipient application. Events beyond reasonable control may require a revised performance plan, prompt notice, and mitigation. They do not excuse statutory consumer remedies or automatically cancel accrued payments.

15 Applicable law and version changes

15 Nationwide application and mandatory state protections

These terms are intended to govern accepted program activity throughout all 50 United States and the District of Columbia, subject to applicable federal, state, and local law. They do not authorize an activity where it is prohibited or where required registration, licensing, notices, or permissions are absent. Applicable law determines governing law and courts with jurisdiction; no exclusive out-of-state forum is imposed here. Nonwaivable consumer, employment, commission-payment, warranty, privacy, recording, publicity, cancellation, fundraising, and other protections control over any conflicting provision. A state-specific notice or addendum is supplied where required. No general disclaimer displaces those obligations.

15.1 Changes and superseding versions

Gordon Rose reserves the right to amend, replace, add to, suspend, or discontinue these terms or program features at any time, subject to existing commitments and applicable law. Each published version identifies its version number and effective date. The newer effective version supersedes earlier versions for new activities accepted under it and for continuing activities only to the extent properly notified and accepted where required. We give notice of material changes before they take effect for an existing participant and obtain fresh assent when required, including for changes to accepted financial or media permissions. Urgent legal or security changes may take effect sooner where permitted, with prompt notice. Continued browsing alone is not new financial or media consent. The preparation date of this PDF is November 14, 2026. Version 3.0 becomes effective for new activities when the operator publishes it and presents it for acceptance; existing activities remain subject to the notice, assent, and protection rules in this section. Preparation alone does not amend an existing contract.

15.2 Existing orders, payments, and permissions

A new version does not retroactively increase the shipping fee on an accepted order, reduce earned commissions or committed recipient allocations, erase a production fee or refund obligation, or expand an existing media release. Accepted transactions remain governed by their accepted terms unless the affected parties agree to a lawful change. Future price and service changes are shown before new purchases. Participants may decline prospective changes and stop future participation while accrued obligations and previously accepted rights continue. We retain copies of accepted versions and make an applicable prior version available on request.

15.3 Entire agreement, severability, and survival

The accepted master version, order terms, and identified Campaign Schedules and Role Records form the agreement for their subject, subject to mandatory law and express accepted representations. If a provision is unlawful or unenforceable, it is applied only to the lawful extent or severed while the rest remains effective where possible; it is not rewritten to remove a nonwaivable protection. A waiver must be clear and does not waive later breaches merely because a provision was not enforced once. Payment, accounting, privacy, confidentiality, lawfully acquired ownership, accepted licenses, and dispute duties survive as necessary. An assignment or business transfer cannot erase existing obligations or transfer rights the assigning party does not own.

15.4 Review triggers, publication log, and corrections

Review these terms whenever there is a material change to campaign economics, prices or shipping, qualification or payout rules, contributor duties, ownership or media permissions, data practices, contracting parties, checkout, referral tracking, social features, or a new market or program. Publish a dated version and a concise change summary when the agreement changes, retain prior versions, and update the linked forms and Records together. An administrative correction to a handle, contact route, or broken link may be recorded in the official directory with its change date; it cannot silently alter substantive rights. A blog post or software release number is not a replacement terms version. Correct inconsistent website or social copy promptly rather than relying on fine print to cure a misleading offer.

16 Acceptance and role records

16.1 The same checkbox on every form

I have read and agree to the Shared Threads Terms & Conditions, including the sections that apply to my role, and acknowledge the Privacy Notice.

16.2 How acceptance is presented and recorded

We provide a working link to the exact master version beside an initially unchecked required acceptance checkbox before submission, identify the applicable role, and provide relevant Campaign Schedules or Role Records before assent. You may download and retain the PDF. We record the accepted version, date and time, role, relevant Record version, and reliable account or submission identifier. Later website edits do not change an earlier agreement by themselves. Optional marketing consent and specific media permissions are separate choices. Financial or copyright assignments requiring signatures use the appropriate signed Record. Use a dedicated agreement-acceptance control. A marketing-subscription checkbox relabeled as terms acceptance is not an adequate substitute if its behavior subscribes the person to marketing or fails to record the agreement. Keep optional marketing permission separate and do not preselect either choice.

16.3 General application notice

Submitting this application does not guarantee acceptance, funding, a paid assignment, or publication. It does not authorize public use of your name, story, photograph, or recording. Specific permissions and financial terms will be explained before that activity begins.

16.4 Campaign Schedule

Before sales or paid promotion, we complete and provide the applicable campaign ID and approved recipient identity; Gordon Rose as operator and the support contact; opening and closing dates; merchandise prices, eligible items, sizes, and quantity limit if any; recipient allocation and target; funded guarantee if any; shortfall and surplus treatment; affiliate rate and qualification period; weekly cutoff, payment day, and method; recipient payment dates; reporter fee and final due date; sponsor restrictions; seller identity; in-person handover and direct-shipping options; the single $14.95-per-order shipping fee; return and cancellation terms; and the expense and reserve plan. Financial and customer terms are public; private personal, banking, and support details are protected. Also identify whether checkout and referrals are in testing, limited pilot, or active production; the supported geography and payment route; the version of any attribution rules; and the official support and status channels. A public launch target does not replace the accepted campaign opening, closing, or payment dates.

16.5 Recipient, Sponsor, and Assignment Records

A Recipient Record states the support plan, approved uses, payees, allocation, dates, and voluntary permissions. A Sponsor Record states its contribution, restrictions, benefits, promotional commitments, limited brand rights, cancellation, and refund treatment. The journalist and Gordon Rose, or their duly authorized signing representatives, sign an Assignment Record identifying the commissioned work, $1,400 flat fee, final payment deadline, objective acceptance and cancellation terms, work-made-for-hire agreement and fallback copyright assignment to Gordon Rose individually, reuse restrictions, brand authorization, pre-existing materials, releases, and stock/local/direct-shipping responsibilities. Each Record identifies this master version and campaign. A general application checkbox does not commission work or transfer copyright. Every journalist Assignment Record and every Sponsor or Promoter Record must prominently incorporate Section 2 and include this acknowledgment: I understand that Shared Threads campaigns are politically neutral. I may bring my audience and choose stories I connect with, but may not condition help or compensation on ideology or use a campaign for political recruitment or quid pro quo. I understand the clarification and three-strike process, including the lifetime ban after a third confirmed strike, in Sections 2.6 and 13.1-13.4. Record the acknowledgment with the accepted master version; it does not replace separate media permissions.

16.6 Specific media authorization

Before the authorized recording or use, the participant makes a separate affirmative choice within the onboarding record: I authorize the recording and use of the material identified in my Media Authorization for the uses, channels, duration, and permissions stated there and in Section 11. The completed authorization identifies Gordon Rose operating Shared Threads as the recipient of permission, the subject and material, public name, permitted uses including merchandise if applicable, approved AI processing, limits, review arrangement, duration, territory, withdrawal process, and guardian authority if needed. Optional marketing consent and any additional synthetic-voice or likeness consent remain separate. Identify approved website and social channels, including Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube when intended, and distinguish organic publication from paid advertisements, sponsor reuse, merchandise, and synthetic likeness uses. Adding a social handle does not expand an earlier release beyond its accepted scope.

16.7 Electronic and accessible records

Electronic assent and signatures may be used where lawful, with a clear opportunity to review, correct, download, and retain the record. Provide an accessible alternative when reasonably needed. Additional disclosures or consent required for a particular electronic transaction must be supplied; this paragraph is not a substitute. A website checkbox does not automatically satisfy every legal requirement for a minor's consent, medical release, copyright assignment, or other specialized authorization.

16.8 Rollout acceptance record

Before a campaign accepts live paid referrals, document its operator and legal seller, accepted master version, Campaign Schedule, approved media permissions, supported payout route, tested order and referral configuration, and who authorized activation. Retain the test result and date, including any known limitations disclosed to participants. This operational record supports the accepted obligations; it does not replace the signatures, notices, or consumer documents required for a particular transaction.

17 Official channels and social participation

17.1 Official contact and social directory

The primary website is https://sharedthreads.org and the support, privacy, correction, payment, and agreement email is support@sharedthreads.org. The current brand channels are Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/sharedthreadsusa/ ; Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/philanthropayments/ ; and YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@philanthropayments . The Facebook Page is branded PhilanthroPayments; the underlying Page reference supplied for this program is https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61596315791491 . Use the current directory linked from the primary website to confirm a changed handle. A social display name alone is not proof of authority. A transaction or legally required notice may additionally specify a seller address or service method; this directory does not replace it.

17.2 Account identity, access, and representation

Legacy accounts, personal profiles, look-alike pages, and independently operated groups are not automatically official program channels. An administrator acts only within the authority granted by Gordon Rose. A follower relationship, tag, shared link, or platform verification status does not create an agency relationship or permission to collect money. We should promptly correct or remove outdated links and restrict compromised access. If an account is unavailable, contact support through the website or email; an account suspension or handle change does not cancel an accepted order, earned commission, or committed support.

17.3 Sharing, campaign assets, and social permissions

You may share official public links and use platform-native sharing features as allowed by the applicable platform and rights holder. Downloading, editing, re-uploading, using a story in an advertisement, or granting it to a sponsor requires the permission applicable to that material. Approved promotional assets remain subject to Sections 7 and 11; commissioned journalist footage remains subject to Section 9.12. We publish a participant's identifiable story on social channels only within their Media Authorization. Adding accounts does not retroactively broaden consent. Paid or incentivized recommendations must retain the clear material-connection disclosures in Section 7.5, including on Stories, Reels, video, and live streams.

17.4 Public comments and community moderation

People remain responsible for the material they submit and must have the necessary rights and permissions. Ordinary comments and reactions do not transfer ownership of all their content to Shared Threads or authorize use of their likeness in advertising. Platform-native display and sharing remain subject to the platform's terms; additional promotional reuse needs an appropriate permission or other lawful basis. We may moderate spam, impersonation, threats, harassment, exposed private information, unlawful material, misleading offers, and deliberate prohibited recruitment. Apply moderation consistently to the conduct involved. Do not suppress an honest review merely because it is unfavorable, fabricate testimonials or engagement, or condition assistance or earned payment on praise. Corrections and complaints can be sent to support.

17.5 Messages, financial requests, and support

Social inboxes are a convenience for ordinary inquiries and are not emergency services or a promise of round-the-clock response. Do not send sensitive records, card details, passwords, or one-time codes through comments or ordinary direct messages. We do not require a fee to unlock referral earnings or a grant. Confirm payment destinations through the accepted invoice, checkout, or established support route. A direct message can communicate an offer or agreement where legally effective, but a general inquiry, like, follow, or automated reply does not by itself approve a grant, appoint a journalist, or satisfy a required signed Record. Valid promises and consumer rights are not defeated merely because a communication used a social platform.

17.6 Third-party platforms and announced promotions

Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Square, GoDaddy, OpenAI, banks, and other service providers apply their own relevant terms to their services. Their separate rules do not remove our contractual duties to you. Listing or using a service does not establish its sponsorship, endorsement, joint venture, or formal partnership with Shared Threads. Any contest, giveaway, sweepstakes, paid subscription, or special promotional program requires its own published lawful terms before participation; none is created merely by following a channel or by this document.

18 Technology testing and release management

18.1 Current installation and testing scope

Tech Update 1.0 identifies two workflows under development: Square installation and testing of checkout, payment processing, receipts, and order tracking; and seller QR/referral testing for campaign routing, attribution, and $5-per-qualifying-shirt calculations. The planned end-to-end acceptance test follows a seller QR scan through checkout to the correct campaign, order, and seller credit. ChatGPT is Shared Threads' preferred AI tool for development and testing. It assists the work; it is not the payment processor, holder of campaign funds, or authority deciding whether money is legally owed. The operating ledger and verified transaction evidence, reviewed by authorized people, support reconciliation.

18.2 Testing targets and public activation

The stated target for the current integration test is Tuesday, November 17, 2026. The public site separately lists November 20 for QR-code availability and a campaign release, and November 27 for another campaign release. These are distinct planning milestones, not a statement that testing has passed or a guarantee of each feature's availability. Publish the actual status and any revised target promptly and explain material limitations before accepting participation. Activation requires the campaign and payment arrangements in Sections 4, 7-10, and 16, not simply the arrival of a date. Once an order, assignment, or payment commitment is accepted, its obligations and mandatory deadlines remain enforceable; a revised roadmap does not defer them.

18.3 Test transactions and live financial records

Clearly label sandbox or demonstration activity and keep it out of live earnings, campaign totals, recipient allocations, and sales claims. A simulated payment, test order, QR scan, or AI-generated calculation does not create a payable commission. Any authorized live-money test must identify the actual charge, buyer authorization, fulfillment or cancellation plan, and refund treatment before charging; calling it a test does not remove consumer rights. Reconcile settled payments, quantities, fulfillment, refunds, and disputes to the campaign and referral ledger. Duplicate events or repeat scans must not create duplicate earnings, and failed or incomplete payments must not be recorded as completed sales.

18.4 Attribution corrections, outages, and security

Keep the accepted referral rule and relevant order evidence available for review. Investigate misrouted codes, lost identifiers, incorrect quantities, duplicate credits, refunds, and disputed attribution; record supported corrections without double counting or secretly changing another person's earned balance. A preliminary dashboard, screenshot, chatbot answer, or notification may require reconciliation and is not a substitute for the accepted rate or verified facts. Explain material corrections and preserve a review route under Sections 8 and 13. Pause an unreliable link or checkout when needed and provide an appropriate support route. A technical outage does not erase a supported claim or permit withholding unrelated undisputed payments. Authorized testing must stay within approved systems and data; do not access other people's accounts or expose personal information.

18.5 Future community platform and other markets

Shared Threads may develop its own social or community platform and adapt PhilanthroPayments to other commercial markets. These remain development directions unless a specific service is offered with its scope, terms, privacy practices, moderation, payment rules, and required permissions. Existing consent to a website, campaign, or external social account does not automatically authorize migration into a new public network, new profiling, expanded media use, or a new financial product. Separate acceptance and notices must be obtained where required before those changes affect a participant.