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**February Question of the Month**

Should charities be able to use donations given for a specific purpose or program for other things?

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**Newsletter Readers Weigh in on Charity Reform**

[Find out](#) what Newsletter readers said when we asked them how they would advise the Senate Finance Committee on charity reform.

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**Preparing to Negotiate**

Does the idea of negotiating something for your organization make you uneasy? Here is some [practical advice](#) to give you confidence when you sit down at the bargaining table.

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**E-filing Is Coming! E-filing Is Coming!**

(With apologies to Longfellow) Now listen my children, and you shall hear/how [e-filing is coming](#) to orgs far and near.

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**Your Chance to Help Shape Charity Reform**

If you are a nonprofit employee, board member, or volunteer, give Independent Sector [your feedback](#) on the recommendations for charity reform developed by an expert panel and work groups.

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**From the President's Office**

Dear Friend:

Last month, *Nonprofit Quarterly* asked me to reflect on the lessons nonprofits can learn from the response to the tsunamis in Southeast Asia. I'd like to share an update of those thoughts with you.

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**Stat of the Month**

Total contributions raised by American relief organizations to aid tsunami survivors as of late January:

**\$597 million**

Source: *Chronicle of Philanthropy*, Jan. 26, 2005



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