# **Cryptocurrency Solutions Decision Tool**

### For most organizations who

choose to accept crypto donations, *routing them through intermediaries* may be the best option to maximize ease and efficiency and minimize risk.



## Low and no cost intermediary solutions handle the liquidation of donations to cash and enable organizations to accept them *without having to master crypto* transaction

processes or implement new policies and procedures.



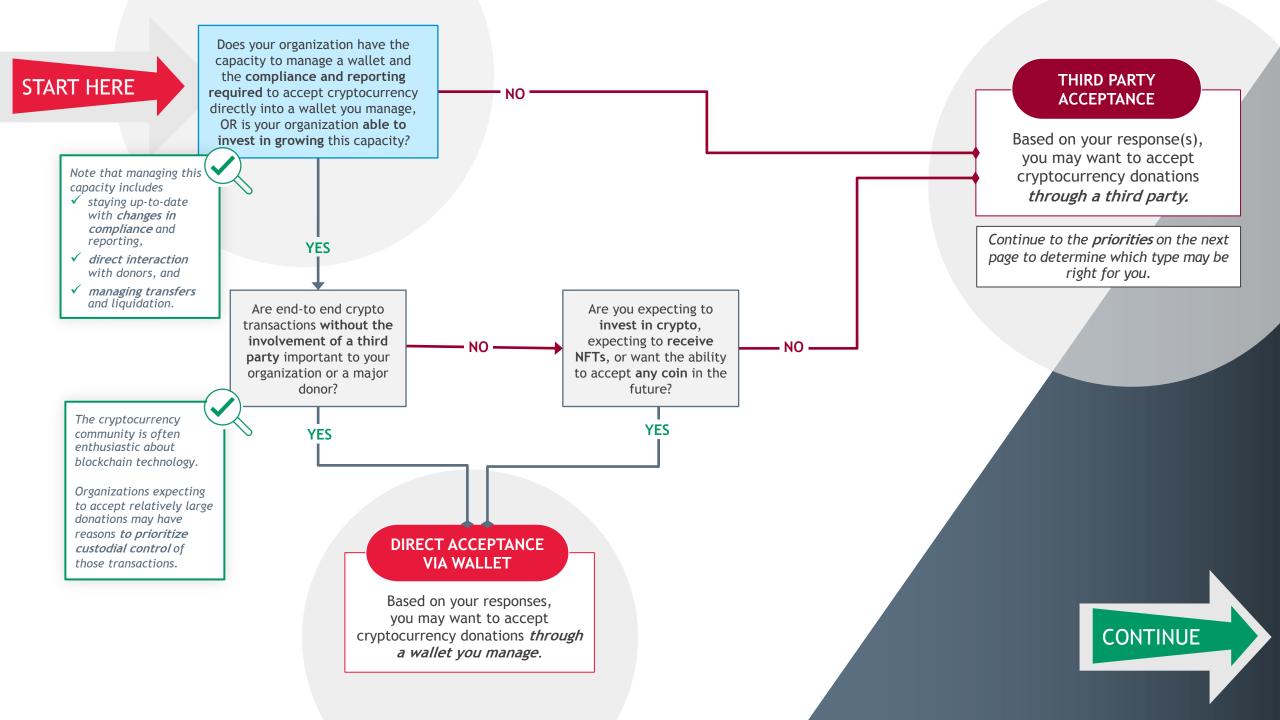
### Use this tool to explore

whether an intermediary is right for you while *understanding alternatives*.

See additional details in the **Solutions Companion**.







CONTINUE	Simple Set-Up / No Added Policies & Procedures	Low Cost	Determine YOUR Priorities Access to Fundraising Support	Integrated Donor Database	Alignment with Sales
Third-Party Acceptance Considerations	Crypto donations through intermediaries can be set up almost immediately and require no new processes or procedures by the organization. Your organization will never need to hold cryptocurrency but will receive the cash value of their donations.	Intermediaries charge only minimal transaction fees on donations (they also offer the option for donors to contribute to defray the costs of the intermediary's work). There are <b>no start up or</b> <b>monthly fees</b> to utilize these solutions.	Most <b>intermediaries</b> are likely to offer some level of fundraising support, including <b>crypto- specific</b> <b>fundraising resources</b> and access to pooled funds. <b>Donation processors</b> and <b>fundraising platforms</b> offer added fundraising support and <b>customer service for a</b> <b>monthly cost</b> . Higher levels of service will require additional fees.	Fundraising platforms can serve as your organization's overall donor database, including donors of all various methods of donations, offering the opportunity to manage donor data in one system and potentially integrating with your accounting system. These features and levels of service will require additional fees.	Organizations may use crypto checkouts to accept cryptocurrency as a form of payment when selling goods or services. Checkouts offer options for accepting donations. However, other than centralizing processing for organizations with a point-of-sale implementation, they offer limited advantages to nonprofits compared to using

#### **Types\* of Third-Party Acceptance Solutions**

**Intermediaries** take cryptocurrency donations on your behalf into their own 501(c)(3) entity. They manage all related reporting and compliance of doing so and issue a donation to your organization in cash.

They are quick and simple to setup, require no changes to your procedures (though all organizations receiving donations should have a gift acceptance policy), no new compliance or reporting, and are likely the best solution for small or medium size organizations.

Many intermediaries also provide access to cryptospecific fundraising resources and pooled funds.

#### **Donation processors** offer

additional fundraising support, access to community forums and events, and a dedicated customer service representative, along with crypto specific fundraising resources and access to pooled funds.

The offerings of donation processors come with a monthly cost and can often require organizations to manage differing pieces of process and compliance. Fundraising platforms serve as the organization's donor database, offering the opportunity to manage donor data in one system and potential integration with accounting.

These full service platforms are utilized for many different forms of donations (with cryptocurrency included) and are available to organizations on a subscription style model with a monthly cost, and require the organization to handle some aspects of compliance and reporting responsibilities.

#### Crypto checkouts are

intermediaries.

common in the for-profit marketplace, and while they offer limited advantage to nonprofits over using intermediary solutions, organizations with an existing crypto point of sale implementation (or interest in implementing one) may see benefit in using an aligned donation solution.

\*This categorization of the types of solutions was drawn from research including an article by Tina Roh via the National Council of Nonprofits. To learn more, read the full article here.