# MLSE, Inc.® Frequently Asked Questions

#### What Are Your Sources For Funding:

MLSE, Inc.® finances our programs and services through businesses and individual contributions, corporate sponsorships, foundation grants, planned gifts. MLSE, Inc.® also relies on in-kind contributions to lower our overhead on costs of goods and services. MLSE, Inc.® does not solicit contributions over the phone or door to door.

## Does MLSE, Inc.® Accept Vehicle Donations:

We are currently accepting van donations for the ability to move music equipment rapidly and to complete the goal of providing music audio and video events when MLSE, Inc.® is needed to go onsite to Children's Hospitals, Centers, Nursing Facilities and Veteran's Organizations. If you have a vehicle listed that you would like to donate, please contact us at info@mlseinc.org.

## Is My Financial Contribution Tax Deductible:

Yes, MLSE, Inc.® is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. As such financial contributions may be deductible for federal and state (where allowed) income tax purposes. Please consult with your financial advisor to determine the extent of tax deductibility. MLSE, Inc.® provides donation receipts upon request and by Internal Revenue Service guidelines of a \$250.00 donation or more. MLSE, Inc.® Annual Reports are put on our website and provided upon request.

#### Does MLSE, Inc.® Telemarket:

MLSE, Inc.® does not, under any circumstances, engage telemarketers to raise money. MLSE, Inc.® has a policy against telephone and door-to-door solicitation. If you receive a call from someone asking for a donation, ask the caller to send you more information about their organization. \*Note: MLSE, Inc.® will from time to time call individual contributors or corporations for donations wherein communication and relationship has already been established.

#### What Is A Foundation:

A foundation is a non-governmental entity that is established as a nonprofit corporation or a charitable trust, with a principal purpose of making grants to unrelated organizations, institutions, or individuals for scientific, educational, cultural, religious or other charitable purposes. This broad definition encompasses two foundation types: private foundations and grant-making public charities. MLSE, Inc.® is a 501(c)(3) public foundation and a 509(a)(1) public charity.

## I Have A Fundraising Idea. With Whom Can I Share It:

Thank you so much for thinking of MLSE, Inc.®! To share your idea, please send us an e-mail to info@mlseinc.org and we will most definitely consider the fundraising proposal.

### Media Contacts:

MLSE, Inc.® has two areas of focus regarding media and public relations. We work with journalists and media outlets to develop stories about our goals, our objectives and success stories

surrounding these children. We also work with journalists and media outlets to develop stories about our fundraising events and programs that benefit MLSE, Inc.®

If you are a journalist/member of the media, please call MLSE, Inc. at +1 (405) 306-7539 or e-mail us at **media-relations@mlseinc.org** for assistance with a story or interview.