## **Protecting Your Online Donations**

We take your online security very seriously at Safe Passage. This is how we protect and securely process your online donations:

**Secure Sockets Layer (SSL):** SSL is a protocol that encrypts confidential data such as credit card numbers so that you can safely transmit it over the internet. All of our online donation forms through Blackbaud Online Express are SSL certified, and our entire website is SSL certified.

https://www.safepassage.org/donate/

As you will see at the top of the page, there is a padlock and the link begin with "HTTPS" instead of "HTTP". These are signs of the website being SSL certified.

Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS): PCI DSS are a set of requirements to ensure that companies process, store, and transmit credit card information in a secure environment. It includes requirements for security management, policies, procedures, network architecture, software design, and other proactive measures. Our online donation forms through Blackbaud Online Express collect your credit card information in compliance with PCI DSS.

If you have further questions about how we process and store your online credit card donations, please e-mail barbara@safepassage.org or call the U.S. office at 207-846-1188.