The Caster Family Center for Nonprofit and Philanthropic Research offers an online assessment that helps nonprofits measure and benchmark the ethical climate of the organization.

An organization's ethical climate may very well be at the core of everything an organization is and does. Organizations that have participated in this self-assessment survey have noted that the survey prompted rich discussions about best practices, transparency, intra-agency communication, board relations, and intra-agency policies.

About the Self-Assessment:
The online assessment takes about 15-20 minutes to complete and is intended to be taken by all staff and board members in a nonprofit organization. It is also appropriate to include key volunteers in the assessment. Individual identities are kept confidential and all responses are reported collectively. For this reason, organizations must have at least 10 participants to be eligible to use the assessment.

IT IS SIMPLE! | FOLLOW THESE FOUR STEPS TO PARTICIPATE:

1. An Executive Director or Board President registers their nonprofit by clicking on the link below to send us an email.
2. The Caster Center research team then emails an online assessment link to the nonprofit.
3. The nonprofit distributes the assessment link to the agency’s staff, board members, and volunteers.
4. Shortly after completion of the assessment, the Executive Director or Board President will be provided with aggregate results.

THE RESULTS:
Along with the results from your agency, the Caster Center will provide specific information for each question about the laws, regulations, or best practices that formed the basis for the question.

In exchange for using this assessment free of charge, participating organizations are asked to allow the Caster Center to use the aggregate data set of all organizational responses for additional research purposes. These data will allow us to know how many organizations choose to use the survey, the type and size of organization that use the survey and overall survey results. Our hope is to build a robust national data set about nonprofit ethics.