



# BUROHELP IMPACT INSIGHTS STANDARDS

This document defines the standards, metrics, structures, and validation rules for producing **impact insights** derived from the Burohelp Time Bank. These insights support Nonprofits, Donors, and regulatory-aligned reporting frameworks such as the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, **ESG themes**, and **CSRD-aligned disclosures**.

This policy ensures that all impact insights are reliable, transparent, verifiable, and aligned with public-benefit goals.

## 1. Definitions

- **“Foundation”** — Stichting Burohelp.
- **“Time Bank”** — the Burohelp system for recording nonprofit operational hours, activities, and evidence.
- **“Nonprofit”** — any ANBI/PBO/NGO participating in the Platform.
- **“Impact Insights”** — aggregated, anonymised, or thematic summaries of activities and hours.
- **“SDG Mapping”** — classification of activities according to UN Sustainable Development Goals.
- **“ESG Themes”** — Environmental, Social, and Governance categories used in corporate reporting.
- **“CSRD Alignment”** — compliance with EU Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive insight structures.
- **“Validated Hours”** — hours approved through the Foundation’s verification protocol.
- **“Projects”, “Activities”** — structured work items submitted by Nonprofits.
- **“Evidence”** — supporting photos, logs, or documents uploaded to the Time Bank.

## 2. Purpose of These Standards

These standards ensure:

1. Reliable and traceable impact measurement.
2. Transparent and consistent insight generation.
3. Valid integration of impact data into donor ESG/SDG/CSRD processes.
4. Protection of personal and sensitive data.
5. Compliance with ANBI/public-benefit reporting requirements.
6. Avoidance of misleading, exaggerated, or unverifiable claims.

## 3. Scope of Application

These standards apply to:

- all Nonprofits registered in the Time Bank;
- all Users logging hours;
- all impact dashboards and insight exports;
- all donor impact briefings;
- all external communications referencing Time Bank data;
- all SDG/ESG/CSRD-aligned materials produced by or through the Foundation.

## 4. Data Sources Used in Impact Insights

Impact insights may only be generated using:

### 4.1 Validated Time Bank Data

Including:

- number of hours
- type of activity
- SDG category
- location
- evidence (where applicable)

### 4.2 Project-Level Metadata

Descriptions, categories, public-benefit classification, goals.

### 4.3 Nonprofit-Submitted Information

Provided it complies with verification requirements.

### 4.4 Aggregated Platform Metrics

Such as:

- number of active volunteers
- number of supported Nonprofits
- sector distributions
- geographic distributions

Personal data is always excluded unless legally permitted and explicitly consented.

## 5. SDG Mapping Standards

Each Activity must be mapped to **at least one** SDG based on verified relevance.

The Foundation recognises all SDGs as extremely relevant:

- SDG 1 — No poverty
- SDG 2 — Zero Hunger
- SDG 3 — Good Health & Wellbeing
- SDG 4 — Quality Education
- SDG 6 — Clean Water
- SDG 7 — Clean Energy
- SDG 11 — Sustainable Cities
- SDG 12 — Responsible Consumption
- SDG 13 — Climate Action
- SDG 14 — Life Below Water
- SDG 15 — Life on Land
- SDG 17 — Partnerships

### SDG Mapping Rules

- Nonprofits must select SDGs that genuinely reflect the activity.
- The Foundation may correct misclassified SDGs.
- Activities cannot be mapped to SDGs solely for reputational benefit.
- Evidence must support SDG relevance when required.

## 6. ESG Theme Mapping Standards

Impact Insights may classify activities by:

### 6.1 Environmental (E)

- restoration projects
- cleanup efforts
- habitat protection
- water quality improvement
- climate resilience

### 6.2 Social (S)

- community support
- refugee assistance
- education, training, health and care support

## 6.3 Governance (G)

- nonprofit strengthening
- organisational capacity building
- transparency and compliance work

ESG classification must be based on clearly documented project characteristics.

## 7. CSRD-Aligned Insight Standards

The Foundation does not produce CSRD reports but provides **insert-ready insights**, including:

### 7.1 Activity-Level Metrics

- hours contributed
- number of volunteers
- activity frequency
- geographic coverage

### 7.2 Thematic Impact Metrics

- contributions to climate mitigation/adaptation
- social inclusion and equity
- nature restoration
- community resilience
- education and empowerment

### 7.3 Governance & Transparency Indicators

- verification rates
- compliance statistics
- number of active Nonprofits
- validation outcomes

### 7.4 Environmental Indicators (when evidentially supported)

- pollution removed
- habitats restored
- areas cleaned
- materials recycled
- energy access improvements

## 8. Data Quality & Verification Requirements

Impact insights are only produced from data that meets the following criteria:

### 8.1 Accuracy

Entries reflect real activities and were validated by Supervisors.

### 8.2 Completeness

Required fields are filled in.

### 8.3 Traceability

Hours and activities must correspond to Projects stored in the system.

### 8.4 Evidence Support

When required, evidence must be:

- relevant
- time-appropriate
- clear
- non-manipulated

### 8.5 Compliance

Activities must be public-benefit aligned.

### 8.6 No Personal Data Leakage

Impact insights must anonymise all personal data by default.

## 9. Impact Insight Outputs

The Foundation produces the following insight categories:

### 9.1 Nonprofit-Level Insights

- activity distribution
- total verified hours
- SDG impact distribution
- thematic and geographic scope

## 9.2 Donor-Level Insights

- aggregated impact from supported Nonprofits
- SDG contributions
- cross-regional activity breakdown
- anonymised evidence samples
- hours-based funding impact

## 9.3 Platform-Level Insights

- overall platform utilisation
- activity categorisation
- volunteer engagement trends
- sector trends
- risk classification (non-identifiable)

No names, personal photos, or sensitive data are included unless consented.

# 10. Restrictions on Data

## 10.1 Prohibited Impact Claims

The Foundation shall not produce or allow:

- exaggerated impact statements
- unverifiable statistics
- claims unsupported by validated data
- direct attribution to individuals
- misrepresentation for donor benefit
- unverified before/after environmental metrics

## 10.2 No Individual-Level Reporting

Reports may **not** identify:

- individual volunteers
- vulnerable individuals

- minors
- beneficiaries
- staff members

## 10.3 Restricted Use of Photos

Evidential photos may only be included if:

- all identifiable persons have provided consent
- no minors are visible (unless parental consent is provided)
- sensitive locations (e.g., shelters) are anonymised

# 11. Auditability of Impact Insights

Impact Insights must be:

## 11.1 Reproducible

Another qualified reviewer must be able to reproduce results.

## 11.2 Traceable

Insights must be linked to:

- activity logs
- validated hours
- internal verification data
- evidential materials

## 11.3 Inspectable

The Foundation must maintain internal records for **7 years**.

# 12. Transparency Principles

The Foundation is committed to:

- honesty
- neutrality
- non-political alignment
- responsible messaging
- public-benefit prioritisation

- proportional representation of impact

## 13. Third-Party Use of Insights

Third parties (Donors, Nonprofits, partners) may use insights **only** for:

- sustainability reporting
- internal strategic planning
- CSR/ESG communication
- regulatory compliance
- stakeholder transparency

They may **not**:

- modify insights
- use insights to mislead stakeholders
- misattribute Nonprofit work
- claim proprietary ownership
- use insights for political campaigning
- imply certification by the Foundation

## 14. Amendments

The Foundation may update these Standards periodically.  
Updates must be communicated to Nonprofits and Donors.

## 15. Governing Law

This Policy is governed by the laws of the **Netherlands**.

## 16. Adoption & Signatures

Adopted by Stichting Burohelp on the 30th of November 2025