

Sponsor mechanism in GitHub community (for users setting up Sponsors in account)

Please answer the questions as a user setting up sponsor account

Q1: How would you best describe yourself?

- Developer working in industry
- Student
- Full time independent developer
- Academic researcher
- Other (please specify)

Q2: How many years of OSS development experience do you have?

- Never
- <1 year
- 1-3 years
- 3-5 years
- 5-10 years
- >10 years

Q3: Why do you set up your Sponsors in your user account?

- It's a way for me to make a living
- Side income for OSS contribution
- I deserve to be rewarded for my past OSS contribution
- Sponsorship can motivate my future OSS contribution
- It can reflect community recognition for my work
- It allows users of my projects to express thanks/appreciation
- I am able to prioritize the requirements of sponsors (e.g., fixing bugs)
- Just for fun
- Other (please specify)

Q4: How satisfied are you with the income from sponsors?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

Q5: To what extent can sponsorship motivate you?

- A great deal
- A lot
- A moderate amount
- A little
- Not at all

Q6: In which way do you think you can get more sponsorship?

- Producing useful projects
- Producing valuable code
- Providing localized content
- Getting involved in popular projects
- Getting involved in long-term projects
- Getting involved in less maintained yet important projects
- Getting involved in projects adopted by companies
- Getting involved in projects led by companies
- Advertising myself or my work to the community
- Staying active and contributing more in the community
- Other (please specify)

Q7: What are the shortcomings of sponsor mechanism?

- Lack of a wide range of payment options (e.g., one-time/yearly/quarterly payment)
- I have to pay taxes
- It's hard for others to discover me for sponsorship
- GitHub does not distinctly mark my sponsors (e.g., I cannot easily tell whether an issue submitter is my sponsor)
- I can't interact with my sponsors on GitHub (e.g., for expressing appreciation)
- I can't declare how I dealt with the received money
- It is not supported in many regions
- None. It's perfect to me
- Other (please specify)

Q8: Do you have anything else to tell us about sponsor mechanism?