Sponsoring an open source contributor through Patreon

In this article

You can make payments through Patreon on GitHub.com to a developer or organization who designs, creates, or maintains open source projects you depend on.

> **Who can use this feature**
> Anyone can sponsor accounts on behalf of their own personal account. Organization owners and billing managers can sponsor accounts on behalf of their organization.
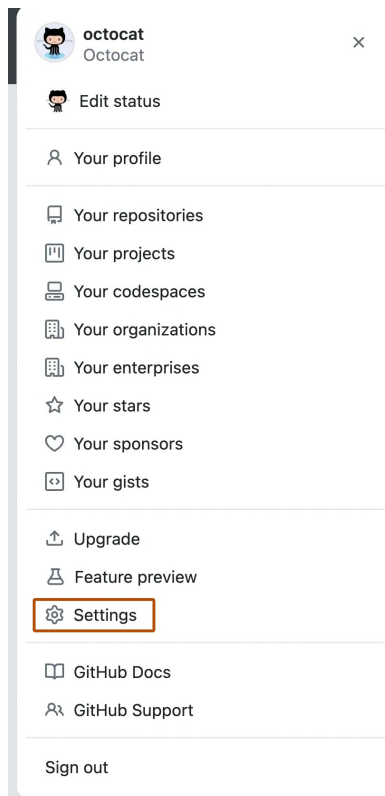
About sponsoring through Patreon 🔗

Rather than paying through GitHub, you can choose to sponsor eligible maintainers through Patreon on GitHub.com.

To sponsor through Patreon on GitHub.com, both you and the selected maintainer must link your Patreon accounts to your GitHub accounts. You can then choose to sponsor maintainers through Patreon on GitHub.com, or you can sponsor the maintainer directly through the Patreon website while receiving recognition on GitHub. For more information on sponsoring through the Patreon website, see [Become a patron of a creator](#) in the Patreon documentation.

Currently, if you sponsor a maintainer through Patreon on GitHub.com, you can only choose their lowest Patreon tier. However, if you sponsor a maintainer for a higher tier through the Patreon site, you will receive recognition for that sponsorship on GitHub.

Linking your Patreon account to your GitHub account 🔗

1. In the upper-right corner of any page, click your profile photo, then click **Settings**.

3 In the "Link Patreon account" section, click **Connect with Patreon**.

4 Sign into your Patreon account.

5 To allow GitHub to connect with Patreon, in the "GitHub would like to..." section, click **Allow**.

Sponsoring through Patreon 🔗

1 On GitHub Enterprise Cloud, navigate to the profile of the user or organization you want to sponsor.

2 Navigate to your sponsorship dashboard for the account.

- To sponsor a developer, under the developer's name, click **Sponsor**.

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- To sponsor an organization, to the right of the organization's name, click **Sponsor**.

③ Optionally, on the right side of the page, to sponsor the account on behalf of your organization, select the **Sponsor as** dropdown menu, and click the organization.

④ Under the "Sponsor as" section, click **Patreon**, then click **Become a patron** next to the desired sponsorship tier.

⑤ On Patreon, select your payment method and fill out your payment information if necessary.

⑥ To finalize your sponsorship, click **Subscribe now.**