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Thread: [Gift cards / Gift balance](#)

Aqua_fina - May 10, 2017, 4:19 am

It would be nice to add more gift options to the website other than "gift award".

I was thinking to have gift card which can be used in HF's marketplace only. BTC balance perhaps? Something like Amazon Gift Cards

For example I want to gift [Minimalist](#) \$50, the only possible way right now to do that is asking him for his BTC address. Which kind of removes the "surprise" factor in it, and it is also kind of weird asking someone for BTC address just to give them a gift..

However, if you randomly see in top of your screen " Your HF balance is: XX ", that would be cool, and the surprise factor makes it even more entertaining

Benefits of this suggestion (In my opinion):

- 1- I think it will make HF much more fun and it will make the community a bit closer with each other.
- 2- It will add the surprising factor, as you never know if you login and randomly see that you received HF gift card because it was your birthday or something.
- 3- It will enhance the exchange market, as some users want to sell their balance
- 4- It will encourage creating nice threads. I think if you see a well made thread it will allow some users to give tips to good content/thread creators
- 5- It will make HF more unique, as I haven't seen this in any forum before
- 6- It will enhance and make the marketplace more active, as those gift cards will only be used in HF's marketplace
- 7- With a possible 1% processing fee, this can be an additional source of income to HF

PS: This is not a specific suggestion. This is just a general suggestion (to add more gift options) with an example mentioned above, but it could be anything else

Look at the gift award list for example <https://hackforums.net/myawards.php?awid=71> We all were excited when gift award was added to the website, everyone was gifting each other the first few days (26/27/28 June 2013), but then it slowly died. Why? Because it is a one-time thing. Once you buy someone a gift, you can't do it again to the same person. So the point of this thread is to have something more recurring

M?xim - May 10, 2017, 4:41 am

So it would pretty much be a wallet that hold funds for ever user?

Personally, I don't see an actual reason to implant this. Also, it would be very difficult.

Found this thread (It can be related in some ways):

[... / Suggestions and Ideas / Hackforums Online Wallet](#)

Where it got this as a answer:

Quote:Great, now I can get involved in deals and get into the same boat with Ross Ulbricht. No thanks, pretty sure I'll pass on being a middle-man in transaction here.

Quote:I would be nice but I just think of risk like HackForums getting hacked and they stealing all the BTC and everyone blaming Omni or something like this would be horrible for HF.

And that too.

[>> Source](#)

Heart - May 10, 2017, 5:55 am

didnt there used to be hf credits or sum shit like that before

Aqua_fina - May 10, 2017, 6:12 am

(May 10, 2017 04:41 AM)M?xim Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Found this thread (It can be related in some ways):

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The purpose for that suggestion was to avoid scams and chargebacks, and turning hackforum into an actual payment system. (OP suggested to replace Paypal as a whole)

My suggestion is way more simpler than that.. It is simply adding more "gift options" to the site, and I gave an example to that in OP and how that could benefit HF, it could be any other thing though

Also, it wouldn't be something big & serious like depositing/sending \$1000 or anything like that.. It will be something fun like \$5-\$10, something friends can do with each other. Non-related to scams, chargebacks, escrow services or deal-disputes

M?xim - May 10, 2017, 8:08 am

(May 10, 2017 06:12 AM)AlexJohn83 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Completely different idea, with completely different purpose.

My bad. What I was thinking about was purely the part about HF holding money.

Tom Kirkman - May 10, 2017, 8:12 am

That would be a really good idea, I mean it would be great to see that someone has gifted you an amount of \$ that you could only spend on HF.

Such as buying a sticking with your gift balance or an award or something.

I can imagine that there would be some down sides to it aswell tho.

Cryptosin - May 10, 2017, 8:14 am

This seems like a pretty cool idea, however there are bound to be some people that will try to abuse the system and with the amount of people on HF this system would mean a hell of a lot more work for omni, so I doubt he will implement it unless he has some really good personal gains from it or sees a huge demand for this from users

Excalibur' - May 10, 2017, 8:30 am

Why you wanna gift 50\$ to Minimalist? Why not me? You guys are racist af!

DenizZ - May 10, 2017, 10:22 am

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Caleb™ - May 10, 2017, 11:32 am

Seems interesting. Would maybe provide more chance for refunds when scams happen aswell maybe. I'll stay tuned to see if maybe omni says anything about this.

Aqua_fina - May 10, 2017, 1:17 pm

There is no way to fix scams because people make their deals and decisions privately. This suggestion is not offering a solution for scams either, it is merely about adding more gift options to other HF members, with an example mentioned in OP

Steve - May 10, 2017, 2:08 pm

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e?erg1zer - May 10, 2017, 2:31 pm

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bandors - May 10, 2017, 2:37 pm

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Zenomhunter - May 10, 2017, 2:39 pm

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Aqua_fina - May 10, 2017, 2:49 pm

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donate in another's name, or funds that can actually be used by the recipient?

Not about donations at all.. It is about funds that can be used within HF (and that was just an example) My main point of this thread is to simply ask for more gift options to members. Currently the only way to gift members is through awards. I'm asking for more options than that

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No. This has nothing to do with escrow service or deals at all.

Tony Stark - May 10, 2017, 5:44 pm

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<https://hackforums.net/gauth.php>

Omniscient Wrote:If I was a wallet provider I run the risk of FINCEN rule and new government policy changes.

I was a wallet provider I'd worry constantly about attacks into the systems to steal BTC. That's an immense risk. I'm also not a BTC pro. I haven't even run a bitcoind process yet. I'd be an amatuer. As someone only slightly familiar with the process I'm fairly sure the amount of problems I would have would be extensive.

I'm an expert webmaster. That's what I'm good at. That's what I will stick with.

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Which do you think makes your account attractive to hacker? Having what you currently have or a \$15 balance in your HF ?

A hacker hacking your account could make hundreds and hundreds more.. Maybe even thousands if properly used for scamming.. so how does a simple balance of \$15 in your account make your account suddenly more "worthy" ? I don't understand that at all !

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Queen of Hearts - May 10, 2017, 9:11 pm

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Bezo - May 10, 2017, 9:25 pm

I think I get the idea of secret gifting, but I think the cons and hassles of trying to implement this system just for gifting is somewhat out-weighing the positives of what it can bring.

The time for development, testing, implementation may take a while (I don't know), when you could simply ask the person.

Also, the time which would be needed to implement this, could be time used to work on the api for HF or other projects that Omni has.

TLDR: Good Idea, just the cons of time constraint out-weigh the positives.

Tony Stark - May 10, 2017, 9:32 pm

I should have let this thread remain closed after my response.

This suggestion is a mess and not well thought out.

OP is asking for more gift options, but can't specify any examples besides users having a BTC balance on their account.

Closed.