

## **Nonprofit Tax Exemption Policy**

### **1.0 Policy Statement**

The City of Mount Pearl recognizes the important benefits that nonprofit organizations bring to the community. As such, nonprofit organizations operating within the City and meeting the criteria established by this policy shall be exempt from business tax upon application to City Council.

### **2.0 Scope**

This policy applies to nonprofit organizations registered in the City of Mount Pearl that fulfill the requirements under this policy.

### **3.0 Purpose**

To establish a policy to acknowledge and support the community contributions that nonprofits provide to the community. In addition, the purpose of this policy is also to establish a set of guidelines for tax deferrals for nonprofits.

### **4.0 Nonprofit Criteria for Exemption**

Any operation that is recognized by the Federal Government as a charity or as a nonprofit entity that meets at least one of the following criteria, shall be exempt from business tax upon application to City Council:

- a) Activities contribute to the general well-being, pleasure or recreation of the citizens of City of Mount Pearl.
- b) Operations relate to community-minded/civic improvement events.
- c) Organization's mandate is to provide support to any level of government/government agency(s) or for the general benefit of the business community as a whole.
- d) Purpose relates to the provision of low-priced residential housing within Mount Pearl.
- e) Owner/operator(s) or primary clientele are socially, physically or mentally disadvantaged persons.

Eligible organizations are encouraged to apply for this program. A copy of the annual information return/notice of assessment from the Federal Government shall accompany the exemption request as proof of charitable or non-profit status.

## 5.0 Approvals



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Steve Kent, Chief Administrative Officer

March 29, 2019

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