

# Donations Policy

## 1.0 Policy Statement

The City of Mount Pearl does not provide assistance for donations to individuals and/or organizations who are soliciting funds as the City does not consider these appropriate use of City funds. Mount Pearl City Council may consider sponsorship requests from local community groups for events that relate directly to the City's mandate.

## 2.0 Background

Contributions to individuals or organizations who are soliciting funds from the general public are not deemed an appropriate use of public funds as such donations could result in "double" donating and deprives citizens of the right to choose the causes they wish to support. Accordingly, no assistance will be provided in these instances. The Director of Corporate Services has the authority to deny these requests. Any organization or individual whose request has been denied by the Director may appeal to Council for further consideration.

## 3.0 Purpose

The purpose is to outline the City of Mount Pearl's position on donations to individuals and organizations and members of the public.

## 4.0 Scope

This policy applies to all members of the public requesting donations and other financial support from the City of Mount Pearl.


## 5.0 Definitions

- **Donations:** A voluntary transfer of property of value for which the donor expects and receives nothing in return. The term donation may be used interchangeably with "gift."
- **Sponsorship:** A voluntary transfer of resources from the City to a person, organization, or business based on the expectation that the sponsor will receive promotional consideration in exchange for the support provided.

## 6.0 Sponsorship Guidelines

Council may sponsor events being held by local community groups that provide services related to the City's mandate. The event must benefit the community at large or a sector of Mount Pearl residents in general.

## 7.0 Approvals



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Steve Kent, Chief Administrative Officer

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