



Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

Donations Policy

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1.0 Objectives

- 1.1 The objective of this policy is to provide guidance and support to the Finance, Administration & Operations (FAO) Committee with decision-making criteria to disburse funds in response to Donation requests.
- 1.2 The Policy is intended to support fair and consistent decision-making. They do not represent entitlements, guarantees, or automatic approvals. Each request will be assessed based on need, impact, and available resources.

2.0 Definitions

- 2.1 **Donation:** Monetary contribution to assist an individual, non-profit organization, or group for a specific purpose, event or activity.
- 2.2 **Kahnawa'kehró:non:** Individual formally listed on the **Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry (KKR)**.
- 2.3 **Unique or Special Circumstance:** An unusual or exceptional occurrence or event of significant importance that warrants support by means of a Donation.

3.0 Application

- 3.1 This policy applies to Kahnawa'kehró:non who make Donation requests and the FAO Committee, who review and approve Donation requests on behalf of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK). This policy will be used by the FAO Committee when making decisions regarding Donation requests, and by the administration, which facilitates the process on behalf of the FAO.

4.0 Policy

4.1 MCK Donation Application Process

- 4.1.1. The MCK Donation Application Form must be completed and submitted according to the MCK Donation Policy Procedures.
- 4.1.2. Donation requests received via phone call, text message, email, letter (handwritten or typed), or by any other means of communication will not be considered.
- 4.1.3. Donation requests will only be reviewed for consideration when all pertinent information has been provided.
- 4.1.4. If numerous Donation requests are received from the same individual, organization or group throughout the fiscal year, donations will be capped at a maximum total amount.
- 4.1.5. Requests relating to political or Nation issues will be forwarded to the Council of Chiefs for review.

4.2 Donation Criteria

A request for Donation will be considered using the criteria contained within the MCK Donation Application Form:

- Professional individuals or teams will not be eligible for a donation.
- Proof, such as documents, receipts, photos, must be provided for the application to be accepted and reviewed.

4.3 Donation Categories

The following are examples of the different donation categories:

- Donation benefiting an individual or a limited number of community members.
- Donation benefiting the community as a whole.
- Donation for Unique or Special Circumstances.
- Donation for partial or total damage or loss of property from fire, flooding, or another unexpected event (individuals only).
- Donation for Sports and Recreation events; including the arts.

Donations amounts are outlined in the attached annex. The donation amounts will be annually reviewed and adjusted.

Certain Donation requests may be referred to one of the following Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) programs:

- CIF Elderly and Disabled Program
- CIF Emergency Circumstances Support Program
- CIF Health Support Program
- CIF Social Funeral Support Program

4.4 Disclosure of Information

4.4.1. The MCK will maintain transparency in its Donation process by publicly disclosing information about the nature and value of Donations in reports and public communications.

4.4.2. To ensure the privacy of recipients, the names of individuals will not be published. Disclosures will be made in aggregate form, unless the individual provides written consent to be publicly identified.

5.0 References

- 5.1 Donation Application Form
- 5.2 MCK Donation Procedures
- 5.3 Donations Amounts Schedule
- 5.4 Social Funeral Support Program Policy
- 5.5 CIF Elderly & Disabled Program Policy
- 5.6 CIF Health Support Program Policy
- 5.7 CIF Emergency Circumstances Support Program Policy

ANNEX: MCK Donation Amount Schedule

Donation Criteria	Description	Amount
Charitable Organizations	Internal/external requests, hospitals, Youth Center, library, Kateri Memorial Foundation, Kidney Walk, Saddle's Walk, Kateri Food Basket, Pow Wow.	Maximum = \$5,000
Events	Community events including Parades, Picnics, BBQs, Pow Wow, Orange Shirt Day, Connecting Horizons.	Maximum = \$5,000
Expenses related to Outpatient / Inpatient Treatment or Hospitalization	Travel/parking costs for hospital trips for the individual receiving care and incurring the expenses or for an immediate family member of the person receiving care who is incurring the expenses to transport or visit the individual.	Maximum = \$2,500
Performing Arts / Artistic Endeavors	Individual or groups, travel and accommodations, registration.	Maximum for individual = \$750 Maximum for a group (up to 10 people) = \$500 max per person + 10 people = \$350 max per person
Property Damage or Loss	Damage or loss due to fire or flooding.	Maximum = \$5,000
Sports	Individuals or teams, travel and accommodations, registration, sponsorships. <i>**Until the Sports & Recreation Donations Policy is created, finalized and approved it will be covered through the Donations Policy. Once the policy is implemented, applications will be forwarded directly.</i>	Maximum for individual = \$750 Maximum for a team (up to 10 players) = \$500 max per player +10 players = \$350 max per player
Unique or Special Circumstance		Maximum = \$5,000