



OVERVIEW

The Gwich'in Tribal Council (GTC) actively participates in Gwich'in communities providing financial and in-kind donations towards activities that enrich the cultural and social well-being of the Gwich'in.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the GTC's Donation Policy (the 'Policy') are to support:

- i. Community-based cultural and social development;
- ii. Community-based health improvement; and
- iii. Youth development.

SCOPE

The GTC shall consider written donation requests from not-for-profit community organizations or individuals who provide programming that support broad-based community development, cultural development, community health, and youth initiatives.

GUIDELINES

The GTC recognizes the importance of financial and in-kind donations to community-based and not-for-profit organizations. The many financial requests which the GTC receives each year far exceed available budget. Defining and narrowing the criteria for contribution requests increases the likelihood that the GTC's limited resources will have a sustainable longer term impact. Therefore, the GTC focuses its contribution support toward programs that meet the following priorities:

Cultural Development – Support that broadens cultural and traditional experiences and promotes the Gwich'in lifestyle. Contributions are targeted to support cultural exchanges and language promotion.

Social Development – Support that brings the Gwich'in together with other residents of the Beaufort Delta to celebrate each other and the rich history and culture of the area. Contributions are targeted to support cultural and music festivals and other community activities.

Community Health Improvement – Support to not-for-profit community service organizations that promote healthy living. Contributions are targeted to support suicide prevention, drug and alcohol education, community and health promotion, or other initiatives supported by the GTC's Health and Wellness Department.

Youth Development – Support to not-for-profit, community-based organizations and individuals that support youth activities. Contributions are focused on programs that support participation in sports events, leadership development, and social skills development.

POLICY Donations



CONTRIBUTION LEVELS

Maximum levels of contribution for not-for-profit and community-based organizations under this Policy is \$5,000.00.

EXCLUSIONS

The GTC will not contribute under this Policy to individuals, political campaigns/parties, religious organizations, for-profit corporations and activities that do not advance the GTC's mandate.

APPLICATIONS

The GTC accepts applications throughout the year. All applications must include:

- i. Background information on the organization requesting a donation;
- ii. A summary of the project for which funds are requested;
- iii. Benefits and results anticipated;
- iv. Budget information for the program or project;
- v. Information on other sources of project support and financing; and
- vi. Description of what kind of recognition the GTC will receive (advertising, announcements at event, banners, etc.).

PROCEDURE

Applications will be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer. Applications will be reviewed by the GTC Board of Directors taking into account the following primary considerations:

- A complete application.
- Clear demonstration of need and linkage to the priorities of the Policy.
- Available budget to meet the application request.
- Other sources of project funding.
- Projects that offer some form of positive media exposure, promotion, or recognition for the GTC.

Approvals or denials on applications for funding made under this Policy will be provided to all applicants in writing.

POLICY OWNER

For any questions or required clarifications, please contact the *Chief Executive Officer*.