



NORTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL

POLICY MANUAL

DONATIONS

- Originated Date:** Adopted 12 February 2001 – Min. No. 59/01 (as Policy 28)
- Amended Date/s:** Reviewed 21 September 2009 – Min. No. 255/09
Reviewed 21 February 2011 – Min. No. 40/11
Reviewed 17 February 2014 – Min. No. 47/14
Reviewed 17 July 2017 – Min. No. 234/17
Reviewed 24 June 2019 – Min. No. 181/19
Reviewed 27 June 2022 – Min. No. 22/216
- Applicable Legislation:** Section 77 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Details of any grant made or benefit provided are to be included in the Annual Report of Council).
- Objective** Guidelines to ensure consistency in the granting of donations by Council.
- Administration:** Corporate Services
- Review Cycle/Date:** Every 4 years. Next review 2026.

The donations policy is to be implemented within the allocation provided in the annual budget. Any additional expenditure to be specifically authorised by Council.

To gain consistency when considering requests for donations, the following guidelines apply:

A) NON-PROFIT/WELFARE/COMMUNITY GROUPS

The Mayor or General Manager be authorised to grant donations of an amount not exceeding \$200 in any one case for any recognised welfare, community service group or individual he/she may consider worthy of support.

Groups who conduct annual appeals will not be given donations by Council as residents have an opportunity to donate on an individual basis.

B) YOUTH, OLDER PERSONS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The following groups are to be allocated annual donations:

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| • Longford Care-a-car | \$ 1,500 |
| • Northern Midlands Helping Hand Association | \$ 1,500 |
| • Chaplaincy Service primary schools | \$ 800 |
| • Chaplaincy Service district high schools | \$ 1,600 |

C) EDUCATION

School leaver achievement award donations to schools within the Northern Midlands Council area upon request:

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| • Secondary Schools | \$ 100 |
| • Primary Schools | \$ 50 |

Council awards five Further Education Bursaries each year. Applicants must be in Year Ten, have a Northern Midlands home address, and be intending to pursue further education or training post-Year Ten. Applicants are assessed on economic need, passion for pursuing a further education/training pathway, and academic performance and attendance in Year Ten.



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D) SPORT & RECREATION ACHIEVEMENTS

Individuals or teams of the Northern Midlands Council area who achieve representation for Tasmania in national or international events of amateur status be given a donation upon request as follows:

- Individual
 - National \$ 100
 - International \$ 200
- Teams
 - National \$ 200
 - International \$ 400

Where possible, all payments be made to the individual participants rather than the sporting or recreational organisations to ensure the proper recognition of the Council's assistance to the municipal resident.

Only one application per individual /organisation per year will be considered.

E) WASTE TRANSFER STATION FEES

Community groups can apply for reimbursement of tip fees where the work performed is to the benefit of the community to a maximum cost of \$325. The rubbish must be sorted for recycling purposes where possible.

F) POLICY REVIEW

The Donations Policy be reviewed every 4 years.