

FORT FRANCES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE POLICY

Policy: Request for Donations	Date Issued: July 2006	Date Revised:
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Purpose

To provide all Directors and Chamber members with direction and guidance when requests for contributions are received by the Chamber of Commerce.

Scope

The Chamber of Commerce regularly receives requests for financial contributions from non-profit organizations, charities or groups organizing community events. Many of these events are recognized as important activities within the community, but it does not normally fall within the scope of the Chamber mandate to support events not organized by the Chamber itself. To table each request will require significant time of the Board of Directors to review and debate, with the result often being the same.

Policy

It is the policy of the Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce that requests for financial support for non-Chamber organized events be granted by exception only. Requests will be circulated during regular Board of Director meetings for the information of Directors who may wish to:

- a) note for informational purposes only
- b) refer the request to their employer/business for consideration
- c) table a motion that the request be considered by the Board of Directors as it represents an exceptional opportunity for the Chamber or is of exceptional significance for the community.