

COUNCIL POLICY

Council Policy Title:	Donations-Miscellaneous
Council Policy ref. no:	6.3
Responsible Department:	Corporate and Community Services
Date of adoption/review:	24 July 2013

1. INTRODUCTION

There are many worthy organisations and individuals seeking financial support, however Council's limited funds for donations will be given to those that are regionally based, of a non-political nature, that do not receive other government funding and will benefit in same, the residents of the Colac Otway Shire.

This policy refers to requests for minor donations from Colac Otway residents and organisations that Council receives and does not inhibit Council budgeting separately for major donations outside the terms of this policy.

2. POLICY

General Donations

In determining whether to grant an application for a donation, Council will refer to the following criteria:

- (a) Council will make donations in a manner that maximises the exposure of the donation in the local community. Donations for events outside the immediate region, where Council is one of numerous sponsors will not be considered.
- (b) Council will apply funding to requests that have no other avenue of support. Donations under this policy will not be made for purposes that are generally the domain of other tiers of government (eg health, education).
- (c) Donations will be made with the view of achieving equity across the Shire. Donations to one group should not be made without consideration being given to other like groups that have not applied for support.
- (d) Donations for representation will be considered only if a competitive selection process has been undertaken, with funding in line with the following categories and limits:

- donation to assist an individual representing Victoria or Australia \$200
- donation to assist a group representing Victoria or Australia \$400

(e) Requests for donations to assist more than one individual representing Victoria or Australia at the same event/carnival will be treated as a group representation.

Delegation

Authority is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer or their delegate to consider allocations under this policy and to exercise any discretion they see fit.

3. IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW

That consideration be given during the Budget process as to funding levels.

ADOPTED/AMENDMENT OF POLICY

Reviewed Date	Reason for Amendment
23 August 2006	Adopted by Council
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24 July 2013	Review