

#### **DONATIONS**

### <u>Objective</u>

- To support various local not for profit organisations through an annual donation
- To establish guidelines for determining donations to be made by Council within the adopted budget allocation
- To provide Council with a consistent response to requests for donations
- To provide clear procedures for staff when responding to requests for donations
- To provide a process which allows Council to conduct a meaningful comparison of requests for donations
- To provide delegated authority to the General Manager to determine requests for donations up to a value of \$200, subject to the application being in line with guidelines set out in the policy

#### <u>Scope</u>

- All CWA branches within Gilgandra Shire
- Radio station 2WAR FM
- Tooraweenah and Curban Rural Hall committees
- Gilgandra Stroke Support Group
- Local schools
- Western Institute of TAFE (Gilgandra campus)
- Gilgandra Museum & Historical Society
- Tony McGrane Memorial Scholarship Charles Sturt University Foundation
- The Children's Hospital, Westmead
- The words "contribution" or "donation" includes "financial assistance", "in-kind assistance", sponsorship and the waiving of fees and charges.

### Policy

- That Council make an annual donation towards the activities of the Gilgandra Shire's Country Women's Association Branches, Radio Station 2WAR FM and rural hall Committees equivalent to their annual rates.
- 2. That Council make an annual donation of \$150 to Gilgandra Stroke Support.
- 3. That Council make an annual donation of up to \$100 to all local schools (Gilgandra High School, Gilgandra Public School, St Joseph's School and Tooraweenah Public School) towards their presentation day.
- 4. That Council make an annual donation of a gift to the value of \$100 as directed by the local campus of TAFE.

- 5. That Council make an annual donation of \$1,000 to the Gilgandra Museum & Historical Society.
- 6. That Council make an annual donation of \$500 to the Tony McGrane Scholarship Charles Sturt University Foundation.
- 7. That, for all other donations, individuals, groups or organisations be required to complete Gilgandra Shire Council's "Donations Policy Application Form" and comply with the following criteria:
  - The organisation/individual must be based in Gilgandra Shire
  - The organisation must be "not for profit"
  - An application must be submitted a minimum of twenty eight (28) days before the event for which funding is sought
  - There will be no consideration of a donation for payment of refundable bonds required to be lodged in association with the hire of facilities or equipment
  - There will be no consideration of any donation for the payment of insurance(s) associated with the hire of facilities or equipment
  - All applicants successful in obtaining a donation must acknowledge Council's contribution in all publicity relating to events or activities to which the donation applies
  - The reason for sponsorship should ideally align with Council's values and objectives and benefit one or more of the following:
    - Community values
    - Community wellbeing
    - Community safety
    - Cultural diversity
    - Cultural activity
    - o Facilities or programs for the community
    - o Facilities or programs for children and young people
    - o Promotion of Gilgandra Shire
  - Applicants travelling should promote Gilgandra by word of mouth or distribution of suitable promotional material, depending on the nature of the event.
  - How the opportunity for the applicant will provide benefit to both the applicant and the community of Gilgandra.
  - Council will consider favourably those sporting organisations who are a member of the *Goodsports* Program.
- 8. The General Manager has the delegated authority to approve a donation for a single event up to a maximum value of \$200, subject to the application being in line with guidelines set out in the policy.

# Relevant Legislation

Local Government Act Section 356

## <u>Associated Documents</u>

Nil

| Responsible Officer: | Director Growth and Liveability |                |                 |
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