Stockbridge-Munsee Community Donations to Charitable Organizations Policy

In accordance with Section 27.6 of the Tribal Ordinances, the Tribal Council hereby adopts this policy in order to assist the Council in making donations to charitable organizations.

All donations requests are subject to approval by Tribal Council.

For the purposes of this policy, charitable organizations are 501 (c) organizations and any tribal organizations.

In accordance with Section 27.6(B) of the Tribal Ordinances, donations to charitable organizations shall be made with the intent of benefiting the Stockbridge-Munsee Community or other Native American/Indian people generally. Generally, donations should be made to charitable organizations based on the following geographical priority:

1. Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation
2. Gresham and Bowler areas
3. Shawano and Menominee County
4. State
5. National

Procedure

Donation Guidelines
Requests must be submitted via our online donation request form. Requests are reviewed on a monthly basis. The entire review process will take a minimum of 8-10 weeks.

Donation Request Guidelines
Donation requests should follow these guidelines:

Address written request as “Donation Request” to Tribal Council Secretary and include a completed donation request form. The Tribal Secretary will place the donation request on the next regular Tribal Council meeting agenda and the requestor is required to be present for the donation to be considered by the Tribal Council.

Keep requests to a maximum of five pages.
Include a detailed description of how the donation will be used. This will include a brief description of why and for what purposes the donations are needed. The
requests should also describe how the Community or other Indian communities will benefit from the proposed donation.
Include a justification for the amount requested.
Provide the name and contact information for your fiscal agent.

Limits

1. There will be no requests that only benefit one individual person.
2. For Tribally sponsored activities, there will be only one donation per year, per activity.
3. Donations can only be received from the Tribe through Tribal Council action or through the Mohican North Star Gaming and Resort but cannot be received from both.

Donation Requests That Will not be Considered
The following are examples of requests that the SMC will not consider funding:

Requests needed within 30 days.
Mass-generated requests.
Second-or third-party requests.
Beauty, modeling, talent, or beautiful baby contest sponsorships.
Racing sponsorships of any kind.
Adult sports team sponsorships.
Music festival or other entertainment venue sponsorships.
Rodeo sponsorships.
People to People Ambassador sponsorships, foreign travel, or any other individual sponsorships.
Newsletters with donation envelopes attached.
Film productions.
Start-up costs.
Small business grants.
Fundraising through the sale of advertisements.

No Stockbridge-Munsee Community donation funds may be used for finders’ fees.