



**MRFA**  
MOUNT ROYAL  
FACULTY ASSOCIATION

## Donations Policy

**Category:**

Expenditures

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### I. Overview

The Association may collectively endorse or donate only to particular charitable groups or activities related to its core mandate, and the Association shall not endorse or donate to any particular political party or candidate for political office.

This Policy outlines related exceptions in accordance with Association Bylaws.

### II. Exceptions Permitting Donations or Endorsements

Only in accordance with the following can the Association make donations or endorsements:

1. Donations and/or charitable contributions requiring Membership approval in the annual budget:
  - a. Contributions to funds administered by other associations or organisations to which the Association belongs, such as annual contributions to the CAUT Academic Freedom Fund;
  - b. Sponsorship of Association scholarships for Mount Royal University students in accordance with the Student Scholarships Policy; and
  - c. Sponsorship of University and University-related initiatives or events that are related to the MRFA's objectives as articulated in the Bylaws which exceed the \$1000 amount provided for in 3.3.a.
2. Donations and/or charitable contributions requiring Executive Board approval:
  - a. Sponsorship of University and University-related initiatives or events that are related to the MRFA's objectives as articulated in the Bylaws when deemed appropriate, to a maximum donation of \$500 per event, to an annual maximum of \$1000 in total. Sponsorship amounts over these limits require membership approval;
  - b. Donations in support of initiatives related directly to the professional welfare or Academic Freedom of academic staff members at Canadian Post-Secondary Institutions;
  - c. Contributions to the strike funds of associations or unions representing academic staff bargaining units at Canadian post-secondary institutions (PSIs).
    - i. Donations shall normally be in the amount of \$1,000. This amount may be increased in consideration of the length of the job action, the issues at stake, and/or the location of the job action in relation to the MRFA.

ii. Donations can be made to other bargaining agents, outside of Canadian PSIs, only where the issues at stake have a direct impact on the collective bargaining rights of Association Members.

3. Donations with standing approval to be administered by the Association's Administrative Assistant:

**III.** Donations may be made to a registered Charity in lieu of a memorial tribute, retirement gift or other gift, upon the request of the recipient or family, in accordance with the Gifts and Bereavement Policies.

**IV. Related Policy**

- Gift Policy
- Bereavement Policy
- Student Scholarships Policy