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Donation & Sponsorship Policies

City Market donates to a variety of local groups through sponsorships, donations, and our reusable bag donations (Change for Local Non-Profits).

Our Philosophy

City Market sponsors and donates to organizations whose work aligns with our Global Ends Statement: The Onion River Co-op will be central to a thriving and healthy community, where:

- consumers have local access to progressive social, environmental and healthful choices;
- residents enjoy an enhanced quality of life;
- the local food system is strengthened;
- the cooperative model is supported;
- our owners have a sense of pride in their Cooperative.

Priority is given to organizations and events that serve to end childhood hunger and strengthen the local food system.

We do not donate to individuals, partisan organizations, or organizations that advance a particular religious belief.

The Logistics

- Recipient organizations are eligible a maximum of twice per year.
- Although we would like to support every worthwhile cause, due to the volume of applications and the nature of limited budgets, it is not possible for us to fulfill every request.
- Past support of an organization or event is not a guarantee of future support.

How to Request a Donation or Sponsorship

- Requests must be received in writing and accompanied by our Donation & Sponsorship Request Form
- Email is the preferred method of communication.
- Please include certification of your organization's non-profit status (if applicable), a copy of your program or event flyer (if applicable), and any additional information about your organization that might be helpful.

Sponsorships & Larger Donations (> \$100)

City Market budgets annually for larger sponsorships and donations to community partners and events. Our fiscal year begins on July 1, so requests for these types of donations and sponsorships should be received at City Market by May 30 of each year.

Donations (\$1 - \$99)

City Market tracks and budgets for smaller donation requests monthly. Requests for these types of donations should be received at least one month in advance.

Reusable Bag Donations

City Market donates 5 cents to local non-profits for each bag that our customers reuse. Each month a new recipient is selected based on current needs and relationship to our Global Ends Statement. If your organization would like to be considered for a monthly donation, please complete our Donation & Sponsorship Request Form. Please note in the "Special Needs or Requests" section that your organization would like to be considered for the Reusable Bag Donations. If you would like to request a specific month based on a related event, please note this in the same field.