

ARROWSMITH COMMUNITY JUSTICE SOCIETY

Charitable Donations

Adopted:

9 Sep 2021

1. GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

Arrowsmith Community Justice Society (ACJS) works in compliance with the Canada Revenue *Income Tax Act* in regard to Charitable Donations

2. OBJECTIVES:

The objective is to provide clear guidelines for Board members, volunteers and staff in regard to the issuing of receipts for charitable donation

3. PROCEDURES:

a) **Issuing Receipts**:

The Society automatically issues receipts in accordance with the regulations set out in the *Income Tax Act* to anyone who freely gives money or goods-in-kind, unless a donor indicates that a receipt is not necessary or where the donation is less than \$25.

b) In-Kind Donations:

Receipts are issued for the retail value of new goods or established resale value for used goods, before taxes added, donated to the Society. Documentation clearly showing the established fair market value shall be kept with the receipt copy.

c) Waiving Expense Reimbursements for Donation Receipts:

Personnel who wish to make the expenses incurred, while doing the work of the Society, a charitable donation should submit their expense form as usual. A reimbursement cheque for the expense will be given to the applicant and the applicant will then make a personal donation to the Society, for which he/she receive a charitable giving receipt. This policy is in compliance with the *Income Tax Act* and also contributes to the data necessary for the Society to determine program expenses. Note that the donation of volunteer time is not considered a valid tax exemption.

d) Official Donation Receipts (CRA changes to form as of 31 Mar 2019) All donation receipts must include the name and website of the Canada Revenue Agency

(CRA) <u>www.canada.ca/charities-giving</u> All information on an official donation receipt must be legible and not easily altered.

- i. Receipts for cash gifts must have the following:
 - a statement that it is an official receipt for income tax purposes
 - the name and address of the charity as on file with the CRA
 - a unique serial number
 - the registration number of the Society issued by CRA
 - the location where the receipt was issued (city, town, municipality)

- the date or year the gift was received
- the date the receipt was issued
- the full name, including middle initial, and address of the donor
- the amount of the gift
- the amount and description of any <u>advantage</u>¹ received by the donor
- the eligible amount of the gift²
- the signature of an individual authorized by the charity to acknowledge gifts
- the name and website address of the CRA
- ii. Receipts for non-cash gifts must also include:
 - the date the gift was received (if not already included)
 - a brief description of the gift received by the charity
 - the name and address of the appraiser (if the gift was appraised)

Examples of official receipts from CRA website Sample 1 - Cash gift no advantage Sample 3 - Non-cash gift no advantage Official donation receipt for income tax purposes Receipt # XXXXX Official donation receipt for income tax purposes Charity or qualified donee name Receipt issued ____DD/MM/YYYY Receipt # XXXXX _ Amount of gift __ Eligible amount of gift (Fair market value of property) Authorized signature: Sample 4 - Non-cash gift with advantage Sample 2 - Cash gift with advantage nor gives a charity a house valued at \$100,000. The charity gives the donor \$20,000 in return. The <u>amount of the</u> ntage (\$20,000) must be subtracted from the <u>amount of the gift</u> (the \$100,000 value of the house). So, the <u>eligible</u> A donor pays \$50 to attend a fundraising dinner and receives a meal valued at \$20. The <u>amount of the advantage</u> (the \$20 meal), must be subtracted from the <u>amount of the gift</u> (the \$50 to attend the dinner). So, the <u>eligible amount of the</u> Note If the <u>amount of the advantage</u> is more than 80% of the cash gift, an official donation receipt cannot be issued. For more information, go to Split receipting. If the <u>amount of the advantage</u> is more than 80% of the <u>fair market value</u> of the gift, an official donation receipt cannot be issued. For more information, go to <u>Split receipting</u>. Official donation receipt for income tax purposes Charity or qualified donee name Receipt issued ____DD/MM/YYYY Charitable registration #: 000000000 RR 0000* Location issued _____ City, Prov. Value of advantage to _________(Cash/Fair market value of property) Authorized signature: *Only registered charities, Canadian athletic associations and national arts service organ

- "Advantage" is the total value, at the time the gift is made, of all property, services, compensation, or other benefits that a person is entitled to receive in relation to the gift.
- ² "Eligible amount of gift" is the amount of which the fair market value of the gift exceeds the amount of the <u>advantage</u> received as a result of the gift. This is the amount for which a qualified donee can issue a receipt.
 - (e.g. PBS gives a program CD valued at \$30 when a donation of \$100 is made. The CD value of \$30 is deducted from the gift leaving the official receipt amount as \$70. The CD is the *advantage* and the *eligible amount of gift* is the difference \$70.)

Official donation receipt for income tax purposes



Arrowsmith Community Justice Society 421 Pym Street North Parksville, BC, V9P 1B9

Charitable registration #: 86749 1029 RR0001

Receipt # 2021-001

Receipt issued: __/__/___
DD/MM/YYY

Location issued: Parksville, British Columbia

Donated by:

(First & last name, and initial)

Address:

Donation received: __/___ Amount of gift: !

Eligible amount of gift:

Authorized signature:

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(First & last name, and initial)

Address:

Donation received: __/__/

DD/MM/YYYY

Amount of gift: (Fair market value of property)

Eligible amount of gift: (Fair market value of property)

Description of property donated:

Fair market value appraised by:

Address of appraiser:

Authorized signature :

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