City Donations to Non-Profit Organizations

January 2015



Municipality	Population	Has your city stopped making donations to non- profit organizations?	If so, is there a written policy supporting this decision?	Additional comments:
Arlington Cathy Durant, Recorder/Treasurer (901) 867-2620	12,090	No	N/A	We continue to donate to our PTA within our schools and with Civic organizations within the city, but typically stay at \$1,500 or below so as not to have the paperwork requirements the Law places on contribution over \$1,500 for both sides. The only exception to this is our Chamber of Commerce and we just started allowing more of a donation there, and are awaiting their first audit to begin the paperwork requirements.
Bartlett Dick Phebus, Finance Director (901) 385-1060	56,488	No	N/A	We make nominal donation to local Arts Council - \$7,500 per year; local Chamber of Commerce - \$60,000 per year. We follow Comptroller procedures; 501(c)(3), or non- profit civic organizations.
Chattanooga Daisy Madison, City Finance Officer (423) 643-7360	167,674	No	N/A	

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Clarksville Deborah Johnson, Senior Accountant (931) 645-7437	132,929	No	N/A	Our city currently allocates funding for non- profit agencies. We are reviewing the policy and are considering making changes or even discontinuing this line item.
Cleveland Shawn McKay, Finance Director (423) 472-4551	41,285	No	N/A	
Collierville Jane Bevill, Finance Director (901) 457-2220	45,550	No	N/A	The Town makes grants to certain applicants; application process is on Town website.
Columbia Patti Amorello, Finance Director (931) 560-1580	34,681	No	N/A	City still has several special appropriations that are made annually. For FY 2014-15, they're budgeted the same as 2013-14. City also has contractual obligations with several agencies.
East Ridge Thad Jablonski, City Treasurer (423) 867-7711	20,979	No	N/A	
Hendersonville Ron Minnicks Finance Director City of Hendersonville (615) 590-4615	51,372	No	N/A	The amounts and to whom receives the funding is decided by a non-profit committee and approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen during the City's budget process. For fiscal year 2015, the City of Hendersonville approved by resolution to fund \$234,650.00.
Jackson Karen Bell, Finance Director (731) 425-8278	65,211	No	N/A	The City makes donations to non-profits and budgets appropriately; there is no written policy.

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Johnson City Janet Jennings, Finance Director/City Recorder (423) 434-6033	63,152	Yes	No	The city cut funding for non-profits completely out of the 2015 year budget. There is no written policy.
Kingsport James Demming, City Recorder (423) 224-2520	51,274	No	N/A	
Lakeland Jessica Frye, Finance Director (901) 867-2719	12,430	No—never contributed	N/A	City never contributed to non-profits; only contributes to city-sponsored events.
La Vergne Phyllis Rogers, Finance Director (615) 287-8629	32,588	No	N/A	City cut back a few years ago and only supports organizations that directly have an impact on or benefit the citizens of La Vergne.
Martin Kelly Wilson, City Recorder (731) 587-3126	11,473	No	N/A	The City of Martin still has certain non-profit organizations that it makes donations to each year. It appears in the city's budget and the city does a resolution that pertains to the organizations and the amount that we will be donating.
Maryville Debbie Caughron, Director of Financial Services (865) 273-3457	27,536	No	N/A	
Millington John Trusty, Finance Director (901) 872-2211	11,132	No—never made donations	N/A	City has never made donations – with the exception of making donations to the YMCA, which was done in order to get the YMCA in Millington and build the facility.

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Morristown Larry Clark, Administrative Services Director (423) 585-4617	29,137	No	N/A	
Murfreesboro Melissa Wright, Finance Director (615) 893-5210	109,031	No	N/A	City still budgets for non-profits annually.
Nashville Talia Lomax Odneal, Assistant Finance Director for Budget (615) 862-6151	429,421	No	N/A	The Nashville.gov website has detailed information about the city's Community Enhancement Fund, here: http://www.nashville.gov/Finance/Financial-Accountability/Community-Enhancement-Fund.aspx
Smyrna Rex Gaither, Finance Director (615) 267-5409	39,974	No. [The town council is phasing out donations to non-profit organizations. This is the last year to appropriate money. The council has established a board to help secure volunteer donations. As the money comes in, the board will decide which agencies get money & how much.]	N/A	In May of 2013, the Town created the Smyrna Charity Assistance Fund, a 501 (c) (3) entity. The entity is currently funded in part by the Town, as well as via private citizen donations. A citizen board is tasked with deliberating upon disbursements to those organizations that apply for funding. This is the final year for the Town to appropriate money for the fund. The charity assistance fund also receives voluntary donations through utility bills. Customers have the option to add \$1, \$5 or \$10 monthly to support the fund. The board is researching other options for fundraising.

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Spring Hill Jim Smith, Finance Director (931) 486-2252	32,053	No	N/A	Transition is underway re. how non-profit funding is provided. City re-drafted a new policy, so that donations now are more of a transaction, like buying an advertisement.