



Charitable Community Involvement Through the Performing Arts

Guidelines for Charitable Donation Seekers - To make an application to Cabaret Follies of Lower Columbia (CFLC), please thoroughly read this guideline statement. If your organization is eligible to apply, submit your application with required attachments by the deadline noted on the application.

Definition - A donation is a gift from CFLC to an eligible organization. In order to be eligible for this donation, your organization must be a qualified charity or non-profit community organization.

Guidelines - We will prioritize donations to organizations or programs which serve the communities in which CFLC has a significant presence. Our service area covers Cowlitz and Wahkiakum Counties in Washington State, and Columbia County in Oregon.

Our Priorities/Areas of Interest - While we seek to support a wide range of community needs, the donation will be made to a charitable non-profit organization that has the greatest opportunity for positively affecting the communities CFLC serves, and focus on one or more of the following categories:

1. Human services such as community health and safety needs.
2. Culture & Arts such as cultural and learning centers/libraries, cultural identity, historic presence.
3. Civic and community programs, such as volunteerism, clean-ups, events, and projects.

Constraints -CFLC will not award donations to:

1. Individuals for their personal benefit
2. Funds that will ultimately be passed through to other organizations
3. Efforts intended to propagandize or influence legislation and elections or to support political activities
4. Sectarian or religious organizations whose principal activity is to benefit their own members
5. Funds intended to pay off long-term loans, debt retirement, or operational deficits.
6. Organizations operating outside any state or territory of the United States

Evaluation Criteria - Our considerations will include:

1. Will the activity by the beneficiary serve the needs of the local community?
2. Is there evidence the organization has the confidence and support of the community?
3. Has the beneficiary previously received similar support from CFLC?
4. Is the organization large enough to provide support in preparing, promoting and performing? Can the organization provide at least 25 volunteers to assist with the Cabaret 2027 production or purchase tickets to the performance(s)?

Limitations of Donation - How much will be donated? Funds will be based exclusively on *net proceeds* from the Cabaret Follies performances (every two years). CFLS will make every effort to disburse the funds within sixty (60) days of the performances.

Application Process – The application will be reviewed by a Beneficiary Committee comprised of members of the Board of Directors. The committee will present the proposed beneficiary at its Annual Meeting. Only paid members of CFLC will vote on the final Beneficiary. Application is available by contacting us at cabaretfollieslc@gmail.com.

Deadline for Submission – Applications for Beneficiary must be received by CLFC via email no later than 5:00 pm, PST, March 15, 2026. Submissions received after that time and date will not be considered.