Policy Type: **EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS**

Policy Title: **Acceptance of Donations**

Policy Statement

The Board recognizes the generosity of citizens, community agencies and corporations in supporting the Durham Regional Police through donations of money, equipment, and other goods and services. The Board is committed to ensuring that the acceptance of such donations be subject to a clear, transparent and accountable process~~.~~ that demonstrates the importance of integrity and impartiality, in support of strengthening community trust in the DRPS.

Policy Application

The Chief shall ensure that:

1. The donation is consistent with the principles outlined in Section 1 of the *Community Safety and Policing Act*.

2. The donation supports the objectives and priorities of the Police Services Board and will provide a direct benefit to the community at large.

3. The acceptance of the donation does not compromise or bring into question police impartiality or objectivity.

4. The acceptance of the donation does not commit the Durham Regional Police to additional, unbudgeted resources, unless approved by the Board.

5. The donation is without conditions as to its use or preference to the donor.

6. No donation valued at more than $5,000 is to be accepted without the express permission of the Board.

7. All donations must be properly documented including at least the source of the gift, its nature and its size or significance.

8. Donations are not accepted from a person whose background, including criminal record, lifestyle, or association, would cause or have the potential to cause embarrassment to the Board.

9. All donations received by the Police Service will be reported to the Board annually.

10. Procedures are developed to ensure compliance with this policy.

Reporting

The Chief of Police shall provide an annual report to the Board to enable effective oversight of this policy.