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The ongoing operations of the Society, and the development and implementation of Special Olympics BC programs requires the support of effective and efficient fundraising activities. Every effort must be made to protect the integrity and interests of SOBC athletes, and the name and symbols of Special Olympics BC. Specifically:

- The Provincial Body shall have the right to veto any fundraising activity, promotion, or acceptance of a donation.
- Funds raised shall be used to promote those activities and initiatives that support the constitution and bylaws, goals and philosophies of Special Olympics BC. The Provincial Body shall have the right to veto any proposed expenditure.
- The Provincial Body will initiate fundraising ventures that are provincial in scope including contact with appropriate ministries of the Provincial Government, Foundations with a provincial focus, Service Clubs with a provincial or district mandate, corporations, special events, promotions, and private donors.
- Sponsorship agreements with provincially focused organizations may provide for exclusivity within their product line or area of specialty. Where such agreements are negotiated, all levels of operations within Special Olympics BC must support and honor these agreements. Every effort will be made to minimize the impact that such agreements will have on the ability of Locals to raise funds.
- Locals shall initiate fundraising efforts that are based solely within their community's legal boundaries including approaches to local businesses, service clubs with a community mandate, individual donors, special events, municipal government, community foundations. Approaches to corporations, which have a local budget for charitable or community support may be made with the pre-approval of the provincial body of Special Olympics BC. Any Local seeking funding from sources in another Local's or the Provincial Body's jurisdiction must first gain permission to do so from that Local or the Provincial Body.
- The support of companies selling alcohol must be used judiciously and be within the legal constraints established by regulatory agencies.
- All levels of operations within Special Olympics BC must avoid relying on a single source of funding to support its operations. This is to preclude our over-reliance on one source of funding, and to ensure that new sources of funding are welcomed and encouraged.

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- Any Local wishing to initiate a fundraising project new to their Local, and where projected revenues will exceed \$1,000.00, must first submit an application to the Provincial Body for approval.