

Donations Report, August 1, 2009
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According to the **B11. CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY:**

The dollar amount of the annual contributions budget will cover both cash and in-kind contributions, and will be determined by the Board based on the previous year's gross sales and current year's budget needs. The goal will be to have a contributions budget of not less than 0.3% or more than 0.5% of the previous year's gross sales.

Since FY 2007-08 sales were \$8,330,016, the total amount available for cash and in-kind contributions for FY 2008-09 is between \$24,990 and \$41,650.

Fund	Activity	Co-op Support
Midwest Food Connection	Program year funding for lessons on food & agriculture in 59 schools	\$15,000
Community Contributions	In-kind support to 75+ local nonprofits	\$5,000
Event Sponsorship	\$100 to \$1,500 in cash or in-kind support for 12-15 community events	\$10,401
Green Patch donations	3 organizations selected by member vote	\$3,790
	<i>TOTAL as of 6/30/09</i>	\$34,191.00

This represents 0.4% of the previous fiscal year's gross sales, bringing us in compliance with the policy.

Priority is given to neighborhood organizations and events that are aligned with Linden Hills Co-op's Ends Policies, which are:

- Provides and promotes healthful food choices;
- Uses and promotes earth-friendly, sustainable products;
- Encourages activism on sustainability, health and nutrition-related issues; and
- Builds community within Linden Hills and surrounding neighborhoods.

In order to qualify for a cash or in-kind charitable contribution, organizations must:

- Be nonprofit (that is, a public library, public school, or charitable organization as described in IRS Section 501(c)(3)) and nonpartisan (that is, not affiliated with or promoting any specific political party or candidate);
- Be non-discriminatory on the basis of any legally recognized category including but not limited to race, creed, gender, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or physical disability; and
- Not be using the contribution to advance a particular religious belief (religiously affiliated schools are not disqualified so long as they are located in Linden Hills and surrounding neighborhoods and the contribution supports the school in general and not the church/synagogue/mosque or religion in particular).
- Use the contribution for specific projects or events rather than promotions or operations.

APPENDIX: LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY LINDEN HILLS CO-OP

Community Contributions Fund Recipients 7/1/08-6/30/09

Academy of Holy Angels	Livestrong Challenge
Allina Home Care/Hospice	Lake Harriet Methodist Preschool
Armatage Neighborhood	Lynnhurst Skate Park
Art Shanty Project	Missing Children MN
Asian Media Access	MN Architectural Foundation
Benefit for Heather Lodin	MN Children's Museum
Brain Injury Association of MN	MN Environmental Initiative
Children's Hospital of MN	North American Council for
Clean Water Action	Adoptable Children
Community Child Care Center	National Night Out
Como Zoo & Conservatory	Northern Plains Sustainable
Compassionate. Action for Animals	Agriculture Society
Dodge Nature Center Preschool	One Yoga Non-Profit Studio
Edina Federated Women's Club	Park House
Elim Transitional Housing	Pet Haven of MN
Emergency Food Network	Phillips Neighborhood Clinic
Families w/ Children from China	Poor People's Economic Human
Farm Sanctuary	Rights Campaign
First Nations Kitchen	Pro Choice Resources
First Unitarian Society	Raising our Celiac Kids
Friends for a Non-Violent World	Refuge Farms
Friends of the Mississippi River	Restart, Inc
Friends of Wood Lake	Seward Montessori School
Fulton Neighborhood Association	South High School
Global Exchange	Southside Girls' Rugby
Grace Neighborhood Nursery School	Southwest Community Education
Great River Greening	Southwest HS Swim/Dive Team
Green Institute	St. John's Catholic Elem.
Green Team (Minnehaha United	St. Thomas Apostle
Methodist Church)	Sustainable Living Roadshow
Highlands Elementary Earth Day	Swedish Women's Ed Association
Hope Kids	Southwest HS Music Boosters
Italian Cultural Center	Tapestry Folk Dance
Judson Preschool	Three-Legged Frog
Kingfield Neighborhood Association	Tierra Santa Support
Lake Country School	Tree Trust
Land Stewardship Project	TRUST
Linden Hills Library	Twin Cities Boxing

University of Minnesota Public
Health Alumni Association
Wishes for the Sky
Women's Environmental Institute

World Savvy
Young Dance
Youth Farm & Market Project

Events Sponsorship Recipients

Bike Walk to Work Day
Gardening Matters Parade of Community Gardens
Howard Bowers Fund/Howard Bowers Day (national co-op education fund)
In the Heart of the Beast Puppet & Mask Theater Mayday Festival
Kingfield Farmers Market
Lake Harriet Community School Fundraising Carnival
Linden Hills Business Association (Reindeer Day, May Festival, Sidewalk Sale, Woofstock)
Linden Hills Chamber Orchestra
Linden Hills EcoParents Monthly Meetings
Linden Hills Environment Committee
Linden Hills Neighborhood Association (May Festival)
Living Green Expo
Minnesota Fringe Festival
Wood Lake Nature Center No Waste Race

Green Patch Recipients

Land Stewardship Project's Farm Beginnings Program
Midwest Food Connection
Youth Farm & Market Project