

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**ORDINANCE NO. 995**

Amending MCC § 9.630 Relating to Certification Criteria for County Employee Combined Charitable Giving Campaign

(Language ~~stricken~~ is deleted; double- underlined language is new.)

**Multnomah County Ordains as follows:**

**Section 1.**

MCC § 9.630 is amended to read as follows:

**9.630 Certification Criteria.**

(A) The Council will certify funds or federations for the purpose of conducting a fund drive among county employees. The Council will certify only those funds or federations, which meet all the following criteria:

(1) The fund or federation is qualified as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(2) The fund or federation disburses funds to at least ten charitable organizations that are qualified as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(3) A fund or federation with an international, national, or regional focus must assign a local representative to be available as needed to meet the requirements of this subchapter and the Council's guidelines;

(4) The fund or federation has a written policy of nondiscrimination regarding race, religion, color, sex, marital status, familial status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and source of income. This policy must be applicable to the staff and board of directors of the fund or federation. The Fund or Federation must also verify in writing that all its ~~[it will only disburse county funds to]~~ member agencies do not discriminate on the basis of ~~[that have a written policy of nondiscrimination regarding]~~ race, religion, color, sex, marital status, familial status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and source of income.

(5) The fund or federation has made the filings required by the Charitable Trust and Corporation Act and the Oregon Charitable Solicitation Act and has not been found to be guilty of a violation of either act by a court of competent jurisdiction during the 12 months preceding its application for certification;

(6) The fund or federation has an unpaid board of directors;

(7) The fund or federation has been incorporated no less than one year prior to the date of application for certification as a fund or federation;

(8) The fund or federation demonstrates that it has filed IRS Form 990, its most recent audit (if revenue exceeds \$100,000) and CT12 return as required by state law and provides copies upon request by the Council;

(9) The fund or federation provides a direct designation to county employees. This does not limit the ability of a fund or federation to offer a donor option program;

(10) If certified by the county in a prior year, the fund or federation has paid the required share of costs for published materials as required under §9.650.

(B) Not more than seven organizations meeting these criteria and selected by the Council may be placed on the list certified by the Board as eligible to receive contributions from county employees by payroll deduction. The selection committee consists of the voting members of the Council. It must review proposals every two years and select organizations that provide county employees with the best choices within the areas of health, human welfare services, conservation, community development, cultural enrichment, and international support.

(C) Certification of a fund or federation by the Council is valid for two years. During certification, the fund or federation must respond to reasonable requests by the Council for assurance that all requirements for certification have been and are being met. Failure to respond is grounds for decertification.

**Section 2.**

The amendments in Section 1 apply to the certification period beginning January 1, 2004.

FIRST READING: \_\_\_\_\_ September 5, 2002 \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: \_\_\_\_\_ October 3, 2002 \_\_\_\_\_



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