



DONATIONS POLICY

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1. APUO supports the concept of donations to appropriate causes. This support is based not only on moral grounds (i.e. that sharing with others is one of the responsibilities of being human), but also on simple self-interest (i.e. that APUO and its members benefit when certain desirable forms of social change occur).
2. Given the vast array of causes which could be supported, the budget of APUO, and the responsibility of APUO towards its members, certain areas of support will receive priority.
3. In general APUO will place priority on issues of direct interest to professors and librarians. These will fall within the following three areas:
 - i. Protection of professors and librarians who are persecuted for carrying out their activities professional activities (e.g. support for the work of Amnesty International on behalf of prisoners of conscience.)
 - ii. Support for organizations promoting issues directly related to the interests of APUO members (e.g. support for educational systems, in Canada and elsewhere).
 - iii. Support for organizations creating the conditions for the continuance of APUO itself (e.g. support for organizations working for improved labour laws, support for other unions threatened by employers), and UOttawa partner organizations, such as other unions and student groups.
4. In general APUO will not support causes which do not fall into the above categories (particularly where common sense dictates personal rather than APUO responsibility). Thus organizations such as the United Way will remain the responsibility of individual members of APUO.
5. The criteria of section 3 may be overridden by the Executive Committee but in such cases, the issue must be raised at the next Board of Directors meeting and put to the vote.
6. APUO is authorized to expend annually, in accordance with the above, up to 2% of its budget.