

## DONATIONS POLICY

The Australian Dental Research Foundation (ADRF) is a company limited by guarantee and registered with the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission (ACNC). The donations policy sets out the approach which the Australian Dental Research Foundation takes in relation to the treatment of donations, awards, sponsorship and fundraising.

### Aim:

To raise funds and the profile of the Foundation to sustain the primary objective of the ADRF which is to foster and support ethical dental research for the betterment of oral health in the community.

### Criteria:

The ADRF will accept donations from individuals, businesses or organisations that foster ethical standards that are in the best interests of health, particularly dental and oral health, or which behave in an ethical manner that is complementary to the aims and values of the ADRF. This will apply to all donations and income derived from investments and other sources. Donations that do not include a donor-imposed restriction on eventual use by the ADRF, will be accepted.

The following are the types of “donation” accepted which have additional requirements and/or recognition benefits:

- **Donations in Kind** – will be recognised appropriately in the Annual Report of the ADRF and accounted for within the Annual Financial Report.
- **Unrestricted Donations** are donations that can be applied to the aims of the ADRF and will be used for future investment growth of the ADRF under its Financial Investments Policy. Such donations will be recognised in the Annual Report of the ADRF in the financial year the donation is received and reported financially under receipts from customers and donors.
- **Sponsorship and named awards** are considered as a donation whereby the donation is allocated to a specific research activity. Sponsorships in excess of \$5,000 per annum may receive naming rights in a general area of research activity but not be targeted to a particular research project, and will receive due recognition in the Annual Report. Sponsorship monies will only be allocated to a general area of research activity and cannot be transferred without the express written permission of the sponsor. Such donations will be recognised appropriately in the Annual Report of the ADRF and reported financially under receipts from customers and donors.
- **Bequests, legacies and gifts with caveats** will be accepted where the condition placed upon the donation is practical within the administrative capacity of the ADRF and its ethical undertakings and values. In these instances, the ADRF will comply with the restrictions of these donations. Where these donations have been specified to a particular research area, and that area ceases, appropriate and acceptable alternatives should form part of that initial donation proposal. Such donations will receive due recognition in the Annual Report of the ADRF and reported financially under receipts from customers and donors.
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**Exclusions:** There are certain causes that the Foundation will not consider receiving shares, awards, bequests, legacies and sponsorship from. These include companies that principally sell armaments, tobacco and vaping, gambling or alcohol, and organisations that promote sugary foods, drink & soft drinks or causes not aligning with the objectives of the Foundation.

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**Fundraising costs:** The Foundation recognises that costs for fundraising will be incurred and costs will be managed judiciously. Organisations that offer support to the Foundation by way of prizes and gifts will be welcomed if the gifts and prizes are not in opposition to ADRF's values.

There are no refunds.

### Access

This Donations Policy is available on ADRF website [www.ada.org.au/AusDentResearchFoundation/ADRF-Home](http://www.ada.org.au/AusDentResearchFoundation/ADRF-Home)

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