

## **Ethical Fundraising Policy**

## Introduction

The Board of BeLonG To is committed to ensuring that fundraising activities are carried out in an ethical manner.

This policy statement applies to the board, casual, permanent and contract staff & volunteers and contracted third parties.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to identify BeLonG To's position on fundraising practice and to document standards expected in raising funds in support of the organisations mission from all sources.

## **Policy Statement**

BeLonG To's guiding principal in fundraising is a simple one - we will only use techniques that we would be happy to be used on ourselves.

In doing so, the organisation will adhere to the following standards:

- Fundraising activities carried out by BeLonG To will comply with all relevant laws.
- Any communications to the public made in the course of carrying out a fundraising activity shall be truthful and non-deceptive.
- All monies raised via fundraising activities will comply with the organisation's stated mission and purpose.
- Donors and prospective donors have the right to be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the organisation of hired third party agents.
- Each appeal shall carry a statement that the donor's donation may be used to support all areas of work undertaken by BeLonG To Youth Services and may not specifically be used to fund the area subject to the appeal.

- All personal information collected by BeLonG To Youth Services is confidential, and will be held in accordance with the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003, is not for sale or to be given away or disclosed to any third party without consent or as provided for by law.
- Nobody directly or indirectly employed by or volunteering for BeLonG To Youth Services shall accept commissions, bonuses or payments for fundraising activities on behalf of the organisation outside of contractual salaries for fundraising staff.
- Fundraising activities should not be undertaken if they may be detrimental to the good name or community standing of BeLonG To Youth Services.
- Donations to the organisation will only be accepted from companies, organisations and individuals the Board considers ethical.
- Donations will not be accepted under any circumstances from tobacco companies or alcohol companies and such other categories of companies as decided by the Board from time to time.