

**GOVERNANCE PROCESS**

When raising funds, due diligence will be taken to ensure that methods and sources are consistent with the organization's core values. Funds associated with the gambling industry will not be solicited or accepted.

**UNSOLICITED FUNDS**

The agency will continue to accept donations from all sources, both individual and corporate. If a substantial gift (in excess of \$1,000) is received from what may be considered an inappropriate source, the Executive Director will report the donation to the ILCWR Board.

**ACTIVE FUNDRAISING**

The Executive Director will report to the ILCWR Board, any situations where the source of funds may be in question. This would include both opportunities for funds where the appropriateness of the source is not clear and staff would like approval to pursue, and incidents where significant opportunities (in excess of \$5,000) have been abandoned because staff have deemed the source unacceptable.

**GAMBLING FUNDS — UNACCEPTABLE**

For the purposes of this policy, the gambling industry includes activities and games of chance where the primary motivation of the participants is to win, and the proceeds of the activity are not clearly defined. The clearest example of this is the Ontario Lottery Corporation and its casinos, slot machines and lottery tickets whose proceeds minimally (about 5%) are designated for "charitable" purposes. Another issue with this source of funds is that a significant portion of its takings are derived from problem gamblers whose addiction is created or worsened by the presence of these 'entertainment opportunities.'

**GAMBLING FUNDS—ACCEPTABLE**

There are many examples of gaming activities where (most of) the participants, in addition to playing to win, are knowingly making a contribution to a charitable purpose. In these situations, for example the Heart and Stroke and CNIB lotteries, a large percentage of the proceeds go directly to the charity or its benefactors.

- ILCWR will apply to the Rotary Dream Home Fund and similar opportunities when they are appropriate to furthering our mission.