

Title: Sustainable Donations and Funding Policy

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1. Purpose

Gulf University is committed to promoting sustainable practices in fundraising and donation acceptance to address poverty and hunger challenges in alignment with global sustainable development goals. This policy outlines the university's dedication to utilizing donations and funding in ways that contribute to poverty alleviation, food security, and sustainable development efforts.

2. Scope

The document applies to all Gulf University purchases and contracts.

3. Acronyms

BQA	Education and Training Quality Authority
COO	Chief Operating Officer
HEC	Higher Education Council

4. Definitions

- **Donations**: Voluntary contributions of funds, goods, or services provided to support specific programs, projects, initiatives, organizations or individuals.
- **Funding**: Financial resources allocated to support various activities, research, projects, and initiatives within the university.
- **No Poverty (SDG 1):** Sustainable Development Goal 1 aims to end poverty in all its forms everywhere, ensuring social protection and equal rights for all individuals.
- **Zero Hunger (SDG 2):** Sustainable Development Goal 2 focuses on ending hunger, achieving food security, improving nutrition, and promoting sustainable agriculture.

5. Policy Details:

- 5.1.Poverty Alleviation: Gulf University is committed to prioritize donations and funding opportunities that contribute to poverty alleviation initiatives, including scholarships, community outreach programs, and social welfare projects that support vulnerable populations.
- 5.2.Food Security: The university aspires to seek donations and funding that support initiatives aimed at promoting food security, sustainable agriculture, nutrition education, and hunger relief efforts within the university and surrounding communities.
- 5.3. Transparency and Accountability: Gulf University commits to maintain transparency in donation acceptance and funding allocation, ensuring that resources are used efficiently, ethically, and in alignment with the university's sustainability goals.
- 5.4.Community Engagement: The university is committed to engage with local communities, stakeholders, and partners to identify priority areas for funding and donations that address poverty and hunger, fostering collaboration and collective impact.
- 5.5.Monitoring and Evaluation: Gulf University commits to establish mechanisms to monitor the impact of donations and funding on poverty and hunger-related initiatives, tracking progress, evaluating outcomes, and reporting results to stakeholders.

6. **Procedures**

- 6.1. **Donation Acceptance:** Establish clear guidelines for accepting donations, ensuring that contributions align with the university's values, mission, and sustainability objectives related to poverty alleviation and food security.
- 6.2. Funding Allocation: Develop a transparent process for allocating funding to projects and programs that address poverty and hunger, prioritizing initiatives that have a measurable impact on sustainable development goals.
- 6.3. Impact Assessment: Conduct regular assessments of the impact of donations and funding on poverty and hunger-related initiatives, using key performance indicators and metrics to evaluate effectiveness and inform decision-making.

7. Responsibilities

Board of Trustees is responsible for:

• Ensuring appropriate implementation of this policy.

President is responsible for:

• Ensuring appropriate implementation of this policy.

Vice President for Academic Affairs is responsible for:

• Appropriate implementation of this policy.

Chief Operating Officer is responsible for:

• Appropriate implementation of this policy.

Facilities and Purchasing Manager

• Following this policy appropriately.

8. **Related Policies**

• All University Policies

9. **Related Procedures**

• All University Procedures

10. Related References and Standards

BQA	Institutional Review Handbook
BQA	National Qualifications Framework Handbook
BQA	Programs-within-College Reviews Handbook
HEC	Regulations and Resolutions

President Signature:

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