

# DOMINIC COLLEGE

*A Catholic School in the Salesian Tradition*



## Fundraising and Outreach Policy 2015

### Part 1: Philosophy

As a community within the Salesian Catholic tradition, we live out the call of Jesus to care for those in need. Alms giving is a Jewish and Christian practice that we continue today. Dominic College is committed to ensuring that fundraising activities are carried out in an ethical manner. Dominic College is a non-profit organisation committed to raising funds for the Salesian outreach, Project Compassion and responding to disasters and emergencies

### Part 2: Philosophy

As part of the Salesian Schools network we aim to provide our students with the opportunities to develop as “honest citizens and good Christians”. We are therefore committed to develop and expand an active, engaging and integrated variety of fundraising, community action and social justice experiences for our students.

### Part 3: Principles

While conducting fundraising activities, Dominic College will:

1. Encourage young people to actively engage with fundraising as an expression of solidarity with those in need.
2. Align fundraising with other community action initiatives so as to provide young people with participation pathways that lead to community involvement, advocacy and missionary outreach.
3. Ensure that fundraising is accompanied by awareness raising programs that actively educate about the many causes of poverty and injustice and their possible solutions.
4. Situate social justice and outreach in a local-global framework of inter-dependence.
5. Encourage students to use their leadership to create awareness raising and fundraising based on their own ideas rather than reliance on “packaged” responses.
6. Favour projects and initiatives that directly address the basic human, educational, social and spiritual needs of poor, young people.
7. Recognise the importance of ongoing sustainable community development when selecting and supporting particular projects.
8. Focus on support for whole communities and their development over a focus on the needs of individuals- therefore support for Child Sponsorship programs is not encouraged.
9. Give exclusive priority to Salesian and other Catholic projects and initiatives as an expression of our role as a Salesian educational community that contributes towards the mission of the Catholic Church in the tradition of Don Bosco.
  - a. The single exception to this priority is Relay for Life (Cancer Council) 2015 – to be reviewed December 2015.
  - b. Fundraising (such as selling chocolates) to assist organisations not directly affiliated with Dominic College (e.g. sporting clubs) is not permitted.
10. Ensure that fundraising efforts are transparent, ethical and in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church.
11. Have a systematic and co-ordinated approach to fundraising based on long-term relationship building and commitment.

#### **Part 4: Categories**

Dominic College fundraisers can be categorized in these areas. The Mission Team is responsible for the organisation of 1 to 4; the Pastoral Care Team is responsible for 5 and 6.

1. *Limited Term Fundraisers*: Those taking place over a given period. (E.g. Disaster Responses)  
The Mission Team would respond to this need.
2. *Ongoing Fundraisers*: Those conducted as a normal part of the school schedule, with or without an end date. (Examples: raising Money for the missions)
3. *Salesian / Dominican Wide Campaigns*: (Examples Samoa School)
4. *Annual Fundraisers*: Fundraisers held the same time each year as well as same type of fundraiser (Examples: Project Compassion, Vinnies Christmas backpacks). After initial approval is received, unless a change in the fundraiser is made, no need for annual application is necessary.
5. Year 10 graduate fundraising for Dominic College.
6. Relay for Life 2015.