

NATIONAL SLOVAK SOCIETY

MATCHING FUNDS GUIDELINES

1. The National Assembly, at its discretion, at any regular meeting, may designate a National Fund Raising Drive for all regions and assemblies.
2. The National Assemblies' contribution for any such National Fund Raising Drive shall be \$1.00 for each \$1.00 raised by the regions and assemblies. The National Assembly at its discretion may also increase its contribution.
3. The regions and assemblies may conduct their own benevolent and charitable projects in their local communities. The National Assembly will match these projects on a \$1.00 for \$1.00 basis. The MAXIMUM amount, on a local matching funds level, by the National Assembly shall be limited to no more than \$400.00 per calendar year.
4. In order to qualify for the Matching Funds, projects on the region or assembly level, these units must request the proper form from the Home Office. This form must be completed by the local unit and also the charitable institution involved, at least sixty (60) days prior to the commencement of said project and returned to the Home Office to verify that a Matching Fund project is in progress.
5. Those regions and assemblies that DO NOT FILE all necessary forms as prescribed by the National Assembly, the By-laws and do not hold meetings as required by the Model Fraternal Code, DO NOT QUALIFY to receive matching funds.
6. To receive matching funds, the region or assembly MUST verify that their project is for a fully qualified, not-for-profit charitable institution, organization or drive. The rulings of the Internal Revenue Service shall define this designation and prevail.
7. The region and assemblies holding qualified matching fund projects are required to publish these events in the "National News" at least sixty (60) days prior to commencement of the event and also the final results prior to the Home Office releasing of the matching fund grant from the National Assembly.
8. The Fraternal Activities Fund CANNOT be used to enhance the Matching Funds from any one given event.
9. In case of an emergency, the sixty (60) day notice may be waived at the discretion of the National President.
10. Articles should be placed in the "National News" to promote and urge our regions and assemblies to hold such charitable matching fund projects and also inform these units of the guidelines and funds available.
11. Effective January 1, 2002, the guidelines as set forth in this report shall supersede any and all other previous matching guidelines.

VERIFICATION OF CHARITABLE EVENT

Our Region/Assembly Number _____ will be conducting a fund raising project in conjunction with (name of charity) _____ located at (address) _____ (phone) _____ (Name of charity officer) _____

In this fund drive, Region/Assembly Number _____ anticipates to raise \$ _____ which shall be matched by the National Assembly on the basis of the formula as adopted by said National Assembly and outlined in the Matching Fund Guidelines.

Region/Assembly Number _____ agrees to abide by the rules and regulations relative to this Matching Fund Program in order to qualify for our matching fund grant.

Date _____ Officer _____

APPROVAL OF PROJECT BY CHARITABLE ENTITY

We, (name of the charity) _____ of (address) _____ hereby acknowledge that we are aware of any grant approval to Region/Assembly Number _____ to assist our organization in the above fund raising project. Further, the name of our charitable entity may be used in any and all approved advertising or solicitation of funds on our behalf.

Date _____ Officer _____
Phone _____