Acceptance and Use of Contributions

Contributions are an essential part of the National Safety Council and the Foundation for Safety and Health’s system of support for the National Safety Council. It is acknowledged that the source of these contributions must be carefully monitored regarding their potential impact on the National Safety Council’s and Foundation for Safety and Health’s mission and reputation. Therefore, in an effort to govern the Foundation for Safety and Health’s and the National Safety Council’s acceptance of in-kind and financial contributions, the Board of Trustees of the Foundation for Safety and Health and the Board of Directors of the National Safety Council has established this policy.

The National Safety Council senior management acting on behalf of the National Safety Council and the Foundation for Safety and Health must carefully review and approve all contributions utilizing the following principles.

1. Clearly identify the funding source.

2. Assure that the message, activity, or expected outcome is consistent with the National Safety Council’s and the foundation for Safety and Health’s mission and program consideration guidelines.

3. Reserve final authority and approval of the program or material content as well as public identification of the funding source.

4. Assure that no condition of the contribution requires the National Safety Council or the Foundation for Safety and Health to advocate or not advocate or associate itself with a particular position or policy that is in conflict with a National Safety Council position or policy.

5. Inform and seek approval of any restricted contribution from the officers or the Executive Committee of the National Safety Council or the officers of the Foundation of Safety and Health, as appropriate, with the goal that such contribution, if accepted, would not adversely impact the National Safety Council’s or the Foundation for Safety and Health’s mission or reputation.

This position statement reflects the opinions of the National Safety Council but not necessarily those of each member organization.

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