

Mission

Fight Against Inequality Network Inc. (hereafter FAIN) campaigns to increase awareness and understanding of inequality in the Australian community and join with others to end it.

FAIN believes that inequality is the defining challenge of this era.

Purpose

The purpose of this donations policy is to outline the guiding principles relating to all activities intended to generate funds for the work of FAIN.

Definitions

<i>Donation</i>	money gifted and transferred with no material benefit or advantage for the donor.
<i>Donor</i>	an individual or their legal representative (in the case of a deceased person's bequest) or other entity that makes a donation to a cause.
<i>Fundraising</i>	the act of seeking and obtaining donations on behalf of a cause.
<i>Sponsorship</i>	money given in support of our fundraising in return for a benefit of value.

Consumer Affairs Victoria 'regulates the majority of fundraising activities in Victoria and oversees the laws that govern fundraising across the state – *Fundraising Act 1998 (Vic)* and *Fundraising Regulations 2009 (Vic)*.'

Link: acnc.gov.au/fundraising-victoria

Policy Statement

Within Victoria FAIN complies with the general conduct requirements of the Fundraising Act 1998 and in line with FAIN best practice and our fundraising practices based on honesty, integrity, accountability and transparency. This policy applies to all our volunteers.

FAIN is not required to register under the Fundraising Act 1998 (the Act) to conduct fundraising appeals, but must otherwise comply with all the requirements of the Act, if they:

- receive less than \$20,000 gross in a financial year from fundraising
- are not paid for conducting the fundraising, and
- use only unpaid volunteers.

Link: consumer.vic.gov.au/clubs-and-fundraising/fundraisers/registration/exemptions-from-registration

Donations and Fundraising Activities

FAIN accepts donations from:

- individuals and organisations endorsing our purpose
- unions and social justice groups
- churches, anti-war and peace groups
- philanthropic trusts and foundations
- estates

Income from government funding and/or grants is not part of this policy.

The amount of the donation gifted and all transactions are processed in Australian dollars. Donations can be made online (credit cards) or via electronic fund transfer (EFT). Bank details are available on our website: fainetwork.com or via email: fainetwork24@gmail.com. A receipt will be issued when donations are received. FAIN takes all the necessary measures to secure and protect member and donor information collected. It is private and confidential. Our Privacy Policy is available at fainetwork.com/resources/policy-documents/.

FAIN greatly appreciates all donations to support our work as we are run as an independent volunteer network supported by donations.

Donations Policy Consultation and Approval

This policy was developed in consultation with and approved by FAIN Coordinating Committee Victoria, and in accordance with the *Fundraising Act 1998 (Vic)* and *Fundraising Regulations 2009 (Vic)*.

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