TITLE 5

CONTROL ACTIVITIES

CHAPTER 29

NONPROFIT CONTRIBUTIONS

Section 1 Municipal officials should ensure that all organizations requesting an appropriation of funds for financial aid are either nonprofit charitable or nonprofit civic organizations (TCA 6-54-111).

Section 2 Municipal officials should develop guidelines addressing the purpose(s) for which money disbursed to nonprofit organizations may be expended.

Section 3 The city clerk should have complete files on all nonprofit organizations requesting financial assistance. These files should include, at a minimum, an annual audit, a description of the program that serves the residents of the municipality, and the proposed use of the municipal assistance.

Section 4 Municipal officials should ensure that notices are published in a newspaper of general circulation notifying residents of the intent to make an appropriation to a nonprofit, but non-charitable, organization. The notification should include the name of the organization and the amount of the proposed appropriation and the purposes for which the appropriation will be spent.