## **UNWLA Policies and Procedures**

Part 1: Branch Policies and Procedures

**Section 6: Starting New Projects** 

UNWLA sanctioned projects fall into three categories: Social Welfare, Education and Culture (more detail listed below). More information about our projects can be found on our website <a href="www.unwla.org">www.unwla.org</a>. All Branches are free to fundraise for these projects. Funds that are intended for overseas projects must be sent to headquarters noting the project to which the money should be directed. The UNWLA has trusted partners through whom the money is sent and who have a process to ensure it goes to the right hands and provides validation of receipt.

Often, through their own contacts, Branches and Regional Councils distribute funds for efforts that are not on the approved list of projects. It is imperative that any proposed project not on the official list be communicated to the UNWLA Executive Committee for approval. If a Branch has a particular project they wish to support they should fill out the "New Project Request" form and submit it to the appropriate National Chair (Education, Social Welfare, Culture) for review. The "New Project Request Form" can be found in Part 1, Section 10 Attachment E.

According to retired U.S. Administrative Law Judge, Oksana Xenos, and our UNWLA Parliamentarian, "From a federal tax standpoint, funds distributed without approval of our National Board of Directors may jeopardize the deductibility of donations by donors. This is why it is crucial that the Regional Councils and Branches follow established procedures in communicating and obtaining approval from the UNWLA's umbrella organization for their fundraising and other projects".

# Official List of UNWLA Projects:

#### **Social Welfare:**

War Victims Fund
Pediatric Burn Victims
Fund Babusii
Dzerelo
Support Hospitals in Ukraine

### **Education:**

Scholarship/Sponsorship Fund Women's Studies at Ukrainian Catholic University Spiritual Rebirth of Ukraine Children's Summer and Winter Camps Holodomor Awareness Congressional Advocacy

# **Culture:**

Ukrainian Museum

Our Life magazine

Sponsoring art exhibits, Ukrainian concerts and films

Organizing cultural workshops
Organizing Easter and Christmas traditions for school children or general public Supporting Ukrainian Festivals

Publishing Books