

SECC Fundraisers Staying Legal



As Volunteers for the State Employees Charitable Campaign, the activities we do reflect on the campaign as a whole. As such, it's important to be aware of not only your Departments' rules regarding fundraising activities but also State laws as well.

Alcoholic Beverages

Applicable Laws and Administrative Rules related to Liquor require that a special license be obtained in order to legally sell or offer alcohol, including "for the purpose of allowing the organization to sell, at auction, wine donated to the organization." If any such prizes or auction items are being offered through SECC related activities, please make sure that they are done so legally by contacting the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to obtain the required special license. Related laws and rules can be found at [here](#). If you have any questions or need assistance, contact Barbara Subastian, Regional Manager of Enforcement for the Michigan Liquor Control Commission at 517-284-6330 or subastianb@michigan.gov.

Raffles, 50-50, Bingo and other Charitable Gaming Activities

Michigan law requires that a special license be obtained from the Charitable Gaming Division of the Michigan Lottery for any games of chance, including raffles and bingo games.

If you would like to hold a raffle*, for either cash or prizes, information about obtaining a raffle license can be found at: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/BSL-CG-1824_26045_7.pdf.

Information regarding Bingo regulations can be found at:

<http://www.michigan.gov/cg/0,4547,7-111-34996---,00.html> and the application for a Special Bingo License can be found at: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/BSL-CG-1237_1330_7.pdf.

***NOTE:** *The Michigan Association of United Ways' (MAUW) position regarding obtaining a raffle/bingo license is as follows:*

The Michigan Association of United Ways will not serve as the applicant for the Michigan Raffle License Application or the Bingo License Application, unless the monies collected from these are to be donated to the Michigan Association of United Ways. If you wish to hold a raffle/bingo or other event that requires a license and benefits an approved SECC Charity, we encourage you to directly contact the organization and request they act as the applicant for your License Application.

Any questions on this policy should be directed to the Charitable Gaming Division of the Michigan Lottery at 517-335-5780.