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## For Immediate Release 13 July 2019 "Karpaty Grants reach \$400,000..."

The Board & Trustees of The Karpaty Foundation have pleasure in announcing that at its recent meeting to review applications for grants and scholarships submitted within the scope of the purpose for which the Foundation was established, eight (8) applications for grants were considered.

The Board of Karpaty Foundation is most pleased to advise that in its short period of operation since inception, the Foundation has made available an amount of some \$400,000 in grants and scholarships to applicants in Australia and in Ukraine.

We also take this opportunity to remind applicants for grants, that pursuant to the constitution **the maximum amount for any one grant application** can be no more than 20% of the income received in the previous (financial) year. Over the last few years, as interest rates have fallen and continue to decrease, the income earned from the Foundation's investments have been dramatically reduced in any twelve-month period. This in turn reduces the value of the maximum that can be applied to any single application. The Trustee Directors of the Foundation believe that opportunities must continue to exist for our young active community members wherever possible and, in this regard will maintain the successful scholarship program to the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv and to the Kyiv Mohylanka University.

Given the cost of the study programs at each university, this will have a bearing on future grants. It is anticipated, that for the upcoming fiscal year, some 50% of the income earned shall remain for grants outside the scholarship process.

Therefore in the year 2019/2020, the Trustees/Directors have agreed to introduce a more rigid review of applications and <u>will give priority</u> to applicants who have been members of the merged Karpaty Ukrainian Credit Union, and/or are members of the now Sydney Mutual Bank (previously Sydney Credit Union).

The Trustees/Directors of the Foundation reiterate, that applicants should be seen as not solely relying on the Karpaty Foundation as its only source of funding for projects. We strongly suggest that applicants give serious consideration to applying to the various bodies and institutions that provide funds for many community worthwhile projects. We note with concern, that in several cases we are advised that "…if we don't receive funds from Karpaty, the project will not go ahead…". We have often let it be known, that Karpaty should not be seen as an applicant's only source of funding.

At its last meeting held on 9 July 2019 grants were allocated to eight (8) applicants for specific projects that each had outlined in their respective applications.

The successful applicants in this round were:

## Grants:

- Ukrainian Community in Queensland Inc. for costs associated with the Ukraine's Indpendence Day festival to be held in Brisbane...;
- Ukrainian Autocephalic Orthodox Church in Australia and New Zealand Ltd. for costs associated with the hosting of the XIXth Eparchial Synod of the UAO Church...;
- Ukrainian Women's association of Australia for costs associated with the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemoration of the UWAA, established in the Cowra migrant camp...;
- Parish of the Intercession of the Holy Virgin for costs associated with the completion and publication of its commemorative book "Four Jubilees"...;
- Ukrainian Women's Association of Australia for costs associated with the production of a commemorative calendar promoting the "International Vyshyvanka Day" event going forward...;
- St. Andrew's Ukrainian School for costs associated with the purchase of traditional embroidered clothing as part of the school uniform for the school in celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary...;
- Ivan Wityk for costs associated with travel to attend the Ukrainian Youth Association's (CYM) leadership training conference...;
- Ukrainian Youth Association Melbourne Inc. for costs associated with the blessing of its Chapel at its Karpaty (Marysville) campsite in its education program on iconography and spiritual values of the organisation, publication of a prayer book and other teaching materials...;

The Karpaty Foundation was established to build a fair, just, creative and caring society, particularly in relation to the Ukrainian community in Australia and in Ukraine by,

- Enriching individual and civic life;
- Improving the lives of people impoverished from social or cultural disadvantage;
- Strengthening democratic values and participation;
- Promoting creativity, innovation, tolerance, and the fulfilment of potential for the betterment and improvement of community values in society, with a focus on:
  - Education & Scholarship; Arts & Humanity; Welfare & Wellbeing; Sustainability and Environment; Heritage & Society; Special Projects (such as Leadership in Society) as may be determined from time to time.

Application Forms for grants and scholarships are available on-line at: <u>https://www.scu.net.au/AboutUs/KarpatyFoundation</u>

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