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B. The VBC Board of Directors will consider contributing portions of club monies directly to the following:

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- 2) Non-profit organizations that provide bike safety education in Clark County. (Example: Bike Clark County)
- 3) Non-profit organizations that develop bike paths and trails or other enhancements to bicycling routes in Clark County.
- 4) Non-profit organizations that support VBC events or projects
- 5) Non-profit organizations seeking financial support for special events or projects that involve bicycling and will promote a favorable image of the VBC. Individuals seeking support from the club shall make a presentation describing the event or project to club officers at a board meeting. Organizations that receive donations from the VBC are requested to speak at a VBC club meeting to explain how these funds are being used
- 6) Non-profit organizations that support healthy lifestyles through the hosting of fundraising rides
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C. The Board of Directors will determine the amounts, if any, to be contributed.

D. The Charity Ride Program. The VBC encourages its members to participate in rides supporting their favorite charities. The club may contribute up to \$50 to the charity for each member collecting the required amount in addition to the ride registration fee. The club may contribute up to \$500 for any given event, and up to no more than \$2000 per year for all charity rides. These donations are only made to charities that meet the criteria listed in paragraph B of this policy.

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