

## IMPORTANT DONOR CHOICE INFORMATION

**Date:** March 31, 2015  
**To:** Reno Chapter - D051  
c/o Jeffrey Healion  
**From:** Clarke Caldwell, President and CEO  
**Subject:** Donor's Choice checks

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Harmony Foundation is pleased to distribute funds from our Donor's Choice Program. Twice each year, we send a check representing designations for your respective chapter or district from Barbershoppers who appreciate the vital work at the local and regional levels.

The Donor Choice Program gives Harmony Foundation the opportunity to connect donors with their district or chapter's efforts to enrich lives through singing. **This means the Foundation raises money for the Barbershop Harmony Society and chapter and district programs every day.** By the end of 2016 we expect to distribute more than \$500,000 in unrestricted revenue to districts and chapters!

### **The Donor's Choice Program**

Generous donors to the Foundation have the option to designate up to 30 percent of their contributions to the district or chapter (or both) of their choice. The program is administered under the following guidelines:

- The Foundation accounts for all Donor Choice pledges to districts and chapters
- Cash received between July 1 and December 31 is distributed the following March 31
- Cash received between January 1 and June 30 is distributed the following September 30
- Checks will be issued only if Donor Choice designations total \$25 or greater for the district or chapter. Otherwise, the distribution is held until the total reaches \$25
- Chapters and districts are allowed to use this money to further their individual missions. For example, some use Donor Choice revenue to support Youth in Harmony programs. Others designate it for a specific fund. We encourage the use of Donor Choice funds for promotion and preservation of this special musical tradition that is important to all of us

- In addition to the check, a list of individuals who have designated the respective chapter through the Donor Choice option is included. (For confidentiality reasons we will not reveal the amounts these donors contributed.) If donors wish to disclose the amount of their donations, they may do so at their discretion
- We provide the donor listing to allow you the opportunity to recognize them. Please use this information in a respectful way where the donor remains free from any future pressure
- If a chapter has relinquished its charter, Donor Choice funds are sent to the district
- We use the latest information on file with Barbershop Harmony Society to identify the appropriate contact to receive the distributions on behalf of Reno Chapter. We are sorry if that information is not current

***Vital information and instructions***

1. Reno Chapter **\$1,631.81** check for cash contributions between 07/2015 and 12/2015, along with a copy of this letter, has been sent to your treasurer, Joe Young
2. Please consider making a small presentation at your next meeting to recognize the generosity of the donors who chose to contribute through this program

Presentation Example:

- *The check from the Harmony Foundation's Donor Choice Program is the result of some generous members in this district/chapter asking that a portion of their gifts be reserved for our district/chapter*
- *I would like to thank the following people for making this possible (names provided on the following page/s)*

Harmony Foundation is pleased to partner with you.

All the best,



Clarke Caldwell  
President and CEO

cc: Joe Young

***Generous donors to the Reno Chapter***

Barger , Sam - 157476

Carlson , Norm - 304187

Howard , Norm - 304188

Martin , Ken and Scarlett - 284733

Menicucci , Jeff - 239458

Queen , David - 231216

Young , Joe and Katherine - 519762