

Charitable Organization Criteria for 2018 Festival of Trees

- The primary purpose of a charitable organization must be to meet an identified need of Elko County residents.
- The charitable organization must meet the qualifications to be designated a 501C3 entity by the Internal Revenue Service. Proof of this status must be furnished upon request by the ECVA Board of Directors.
- The bulk of any monies distributed through the ECVA's Festival of Trees program should be used to fund programs within Elko County. An organization's use of funds may be verified through inspection of their annual report at the discretion of the ECVA Board of Directors.
- Priority for funding will be given to charitable organizations who serve the youth/children of Elko County.
- At the request of the ECVA Board of Directors, the receiving charity may be required to make a follow-up presentation regarding the distribution and use of funds raised by the Festival of Trees program.
- The charitable organization receiving funding will be required to assist in the solicitation of local businesses and organizations for sponsorships of the Festival of Trees program either by contributing a decorated tree or bidding on a donated tree.
- Members of the receiving charity will be required, at the discretion of the ECVA staff, to serve as event volunteers during the Festival of trees program.
- First priority for funds will be given to charitable organizations which were not funded the previous year.

Additional Details

- **Event Dates** –The dates for the 2018 event are Monday, November 26th - through Wednesday, November 28th, 2018
- **Event Theme** – 2018 Festival of Trees theme is “**Rustic Yuletide.**”