

Office of the Independent Police Auditor

NO-GIFT POLICY

Employees of the Office of the Independent Police Auditor must be held to the highest standard of conduct, to ensure that the independence and integrity of the unique work of the Office is maintained.

The acceptance of gifts or gratuities of any kind by the staff of the Office could be perceived or interpreted as an attempt by the donors to influence the actions of the staff. **Therefore, no gifts of any value may be accepted by members of the staff of the Office of the Independent Police Auditor from any individual or organization that may be impacted by the work of the employee or the Office.** However, gifts from family members and close personal friends are permissible, so long as they are consistent with state law and the City's Gift Policy and Ordinance.

Gifts include, but are not limited to the following: (1) any rebate or discount in the price of anything of value, unless the rebate or discount is made in the regular course of business to members of the public; (2) complimentary tickets; (3) meals, (4) holiday presents, and (5) non-informational materials.

This policy is more stringent than and supersedes the City's Gift Policy and Ordinance, as applied to the IPA Office, to the extent the City's Gift Policy and Ordinance conflict with this policy.