

CHARITABLE SOLICITATION LICENSURE

Note that the City of DeKalb does not require a license for *Non-Commercial Activity*, which is defined as follows:

Non-Commercial Activity: Activities that are not commercial in nature, such as activities that do not involve Sale of any Commercial Item, but rather which are solely consisting of:

- a) religious or political free speech without any corresponding financial or commercial activity;
- b) solicitation of gratuitous donations for non-commercial entities or undertakings such as charities, political organizations, churches or similar matters without the provision of any non-gratuitous consideration, product or service; or
- c) other similar activities not involving commerce or trade or the Sale of any Commercial Item. If there is any element of Commercial Activity, a given activity shall not qualify as Non-Commercial Activity (e.g., the solicitation of payments in exchange for a Commercial Item shall be deemed Commercial Activity).

However, such activities are subject to the following:

1. Such activities may only be conducted during daylight hours.
2. Such activities may only be conducted by persons of sound mind, over the age of 18 years of age.
3. Any person engaging in the activities must wear a brightly colored, reflective vest.
4. No person may stand in a roadway or engage in such activities in a way that hinders, impedes or slows the flow of traffic.
5. No person engaged in such activities may approach any vehicle that is moving.
6. No person engaged in such activities may stand in a lane of traffic at a stoplight, when the stoplight is illuminated green for the lane of traffic in question.
7. No person engaged in such activities may place any temporary or permanent obstacle, improvement, sign, or other device in the roadway or right of way adjacent thereto.
8. No person engaged in such activities shall make non-consensual physical contact with any person or vehicle.
9. Any person engaging in such activities shall provide the City with a description of the nature, duration, and location of said activities before engaging in said activities by emailing the City Manager's Office at ruth.scott@cityofdekalb.com.

A violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

Reference [Chapter 33](#) of the City of DeKalb Municipal Code for additional information.