

DONATIONS / SUPPORT OUR PROJECT / SPONSORSHIP

All activities carried out by the members of the **South American Piping Association (aka "S.A.P.A.")** are ad-honorem. Everyone does their bit and contributes with their effort to the common good of our Association. Members spend part of their time practicing and rehearsing during the week, committing to the different institutional activities and third party proposals with the aim of promoting and fostering Scottish culture through its music and dance. For the vast majority of our members this represents more than just a hobby, devoting many hours to practice, in order to perform in the most professional way possible. A portion of our members even assume more active roles such as the direction of our musical and dance corps, administrative, organizational or board roles.

Unfortunately, carrying out this type of activity in Argentina is quite complex, mainly because this is a niche cultural activity, and most supplies are imported. In the complicated scenario of the Argentine economy and trade regulations, it is very complex to get access to material, instruments, uniforms, equipment, maintenance and certified teachers locally. In fact, this constitutes a significant part of our expenses.

Unlike other communities, such as the Spanish or the Italian communities, the British Embassy in Argentina and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain do not support this type of activity, which is why all efforts come from the contribution of our members. As a matter of fact, 100% of our funds come from shows, membership fees and -to a much lesser extent- from donations.

Some of our objectives today are: 1) to fulfill our dream of buying a property for our headquarters and this way stop resorting to renting school facilities; 2) to be able to bring foreign teachers on a regular basis to our city; and 3) being able to travel with our group to different parts of the world in order to show what we do.

Though we are very proud of all the things we accomplish on our own, our reality makes these objectives quite difficult and tiresome to achieve. Your contribution can help us make them possible and allow us to focus on artistic matters. Therefore, we would like to encourage you to support our activities through a donation, patronage or sponsorship. All donations will help us buy uniforms, instruments, accessories, pay travel expenses, travel abroad and consolidate the Association's reserves.

If you are interested in making a donation, we must warn you that due to the characteristics of our non-profit organisation, donors cannot deduct these contributions from their taxes. In any case, your support of any nature will be most welcome.

In addition, individuals or companies wishing to use the image of the band or dance corps to promote their brand / product / service, are encouraged to contact us with a proposal. We shall gladly analyse it.

If you wish to contact us on this matter, please write to us at info@sapa-band.com.ar

Thanks in advance!