

## Political Activities

According to the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) “a registered charity may pursue political activities only if the activities are non-partisan, related to its charitable purposes, and limited in extent. A political activity is any activity that explicitly communicates to the public that a law or decision of any level of government inside or outside of Canada should be retained, opposed or changed.”

### Examples of permitted political activities (within allowable limits) include:

buying a newspaper advertisement to pressure the government; organizing a march to Parliament Hill; organizing a conference to support KAIROS' opinion; hiring a communications specialist to arrange a media campaign; using a mail campaign to urge supporters to contact the government; organizing a rally on Parliament Hill; grants, and the facilitation of such grants, to global South partners that substantially call publicly for the retention of, opposition or change to a foreign government's law, policy or decision (including Southern partners so advocating to the Canadian government).

CRA requires you to indicate if you do any of these:

1. Media releases & advertisements
2. Conferences, workshops, speeches or lectures
3. Publications (printed or electronic)
4. Rallies, demonstrations, or public meetings
5. Petitions, boycotts (calls to action)
6. Letter writing campaign (written or electronic)
7. Internet (Web site, social media (Twitter, You Tube))
8. Other (specify) -- if there is not enough room in the daily political activity box to briefly describe that activity please indicate that you've described it at the bottom of the time sheet