

How You Can
**Impact Our
Mission Today**



Support
Our Cause
With a
Cash Gift



How Gifts of Cash Can Benefit You

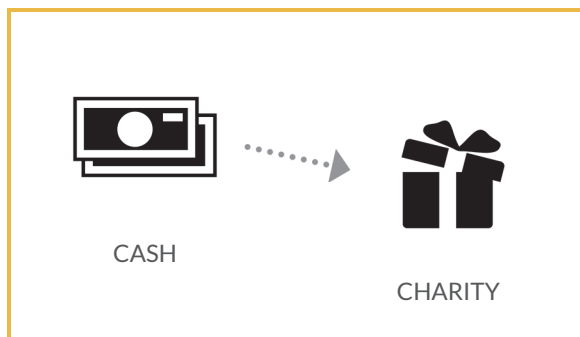
- Your gift can be put to immediate use to further our programs and activities.
- You may benefit from a charitable income tax deduction and tax savings.

Do you want to make an immediate, impactful gift to support our work? A donation of cash is a simple and easy way for you to help our cause.

How You Can Make A Gift of Cash

Here are some easy ways you can make an immediate gift to support our cause:

- **Mailing a Check.** You can send us a check or money order.
- **Giving Online.** Visit our website to make an online gift. Your gift will be processed quickly and safely.
- **Wiring a Gift.** You can wire funds directly from your account to us. Please contact us to obtain wiring instructions.
- **Making a Designation.** Please let us know if you want your gift used for a specific purpose by indicating the purpose in a memo or letter.





More Ways To Give And Save

Your gift to us can make a difference. Help us further our important work today.

- **Timing Is Important** Did you know that you can mail a check on December 31st and, even if we do not receive or cash the check this year, you will still receive a deduction in the year that you mailed the check? Keep this in mind for year-end tax planning!
- **IRA Rollover Gifts** If you are age 70½ or older, making direct charitable gifts from your IRA, up to \$105,000 per year, is often the best way to give. It is easy to do! Simply contact your IRA custodian to initiate the process. In addition, IRA charitable rollover gifts are not reportable as taxable income and they may be used to offset your required minimum distribution. For more information on this giving strategy, please contact us.

Definitions

Charitable Income Tax Deduction

An individual who makes a gift to a qualified charity may take this deduction, if they itemize their deductions when filing their income tax return. These deductions are subject to certain limits each year and are usually based on the fair market value of the property donated to charity.

IRA Rollover Gift

A charitable gift made by the owner of an IRA directly to a qualified charity. The owner must be 70½ years of age or older, can transfer up to \$105,000 per year and the transfer may help the owner meet their "required minimum distribution" or RMD.



Let Us Help You

If you have any questions about our most immediate needs and how a gift of cash can make a meaningful impact, please contact us. We would be pleased to assist you and answer any questions that you have.

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