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REDIRECT YOUR TAX DOLLARS!

In 2016...maximize your tax credit opportunities while supporting Arizona charities and your local schools using the Arizona tax dollars you already pay!

These last few years have been challenging for families and children in our state. YOU can spend your Arizona tax dollars to have a positive influence on their lives by making a charitable contribution to each of these eligible groups:

1. Nonprofit organizations serving children in foster care, *and*
2. Nonprofit organizations serving the working poor, *and*
3. An Arizona public school, *and*
4. An Arizona private school.

And reduce your Arizona state tax bill dollar for dollar. Sound too good to be true? *It's not!*

If you pay Arizona state taxes, when you make donations to organizations that qualify for tax credit dollars, your Arizona tax bill is reduced dollar for dollar if you owe money, or you receive a dollar for dollar refund for the amount of your donation. You do not need to itemize; simply give before the tax filing deadline!

Visit www.azdor.gov to learn more!



YOU CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ANY OR ALL OF THESE TAX CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES.

1. FOSTER CARE QUALIFYING ORGANIZATION TAX CREDIT

There are more than 19,000 children in foster care in Arizona. You can improve their lives with your donation to a foster care qualifying organization.

The maximum tax credit for foster care qualifying organizations is **\$500 for single filers and \$1,000 for married**. Beginning in 2016, the foster care tax credit is stand-alone, meaning you can contribute to foster care and working poor organizations and receive two tax credits.

e.g. Arizona Friends of Foster Children Foundation • Arizona Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents • Arizona Helping Hands

2. QUALIFYING CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION TAX CREDIT

You can use Arizona's Tax Credit system to contribute to local nonprofits that tirelessly work for families struggling financially, emotionally and physically.

The maximum **tax credit** for qualifying charitable organizations is \$400 for single filers and \$800 for couples.

e.g. Habitat for Humanity • St. Vincent De Paul • Circle the City

3. PUBLIC SCHOOL TAX CREDIT

You can use Arizona's Public School Tax Credit to contribute to public elementary, middle and high schools that serve children in our state. The credit is available for certain fees paid to public schools that support extracurricular activities (i.e., band, athletic uniforms, laboratory equipment, competitive event trips) or character education programs. The maximum **public school tax credit** you may receive is **\$200 for individuals and \$400 for couples**.

4. PRIVATE SCHOOL TAX CREDIT (SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATION*)

Taxpayers may claim a credit for making a donation to a School Tuition Organization for scholarships to private schools. The maximum credit amount that may be taken for a tax year is **\$1,087 for individuals and \$2,173 for couples**.

**A school tuition organization cannot award, restrict or reserve scholarships solely on the basis of a donor's recommendation. A taxpayer may not claim a tax credit if the taxpayer agrees to swap donations with another taxpayer to benefit either taxpayer's own dependent.*

For a complete list of eligible organizations for each tax credit and the forms you need to file for the credits, visit www.azdor.gov/taxcredits.