2020 Charitable Giving and the CARES Act FAQs

Your donation may qualify for an increased charitable deduction on your federal taxes!

CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act) provisions were passed in March to encourage more philanthropic contributions to charitable organizations. Some specific incentives related to year-end charitable giving are referenced below and are only effective for the tax year 2020:

**INDIVIDUALS WHO ITEMIZE**
may now deduct up to 100% of their taxable income via qualified charitable donations in 2020 (used to cap at 60%)

**INDIVIDUALS TAKING STANDARD DEDUCTION**
Donors who do not itemize their taxes (most people) can now take up to $300 in above the line deductions for qualified charitable gifts.

Married and filing separately should double that deduction

**CORPORATIONS**
may now deduct up to 25% of their taxable income (up from 10%)
and food donation deductions up to 25% (up from 15%)

Required minimum distributions (RMD's) suspended for IRAs, so no income tax on gifts from IRAs

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