



Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) Information Sheet

A QCD is a gift from your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to a qualified charitable organization like Wheaton College. A QCD is a tax-effective way to give charitably with many advantages:

- Distributions are not included in adjusted gross income, so you can benefit whether or not you itemize.
- It can satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.
- It may lower your state income taxes if your state of residence taxes retirement distributions and limits charitable deductions.
- It may reduce the taxable portion of your taxable social security income and Medicare premium amount.
- The distribution avoids limitations on the deductibility of large charitable gifts.
- It may lower tax rates and prevent deduction phase-outs for higher-income families.

QCDs are a win-win for you and the Wheaton students you support through your charitable giving! You must be 70.5 or older to make a QCD, and you can give up to \$100,000 each year via QCDs. A QCD must come directly from your account to the charity. Note: you cannot make a QCD to a donor advised fund.

Want to make a QCD from your retirement account but don't have an IRA? Retirement accounts such as 401Ks and 403Bs can be rolled over into an IRA from which a QCD can be made.

The following information can be provided to your retirement account custodian to initiate a QCD:

Legal Name: Wheaton College
Taxpayer ID: 36-2182171
Permanent Address: 501 College Avenue, Wheaton, IL 60187

Your retirement account custodian should include your name and address with the transmittal of funds. Include any designation of the gift, such as to a scholarship or to the Wheaton Fund. You should retain all documentation of your QCD gift with your tax records and provide them to your tax preparer to ensure that your QCD gift is properly accounted for in your tax filing.

For the gift to qualify during the current tax year, you must initiate the process early so that the transmittal is completed before year-end. Check timing requirements with your custodian to ensure timely transmittal. **If you have questions, please call Advancement Services at Wheaton College at 1-800-525-9906 (option 2) or email us at advancement.services@wheaton.edu.**

BIG NEWS! Starting in 2023 you can fund a **gift annuity** with QCDs! Donors can contribute up to \$50,000 from your IRA to a gift annuity (allowed one-time only). Additional details: only the IRA owner or owner's spouse may receive gift annuity payments, and payments are taxable at your income tax rate. For more information on this new opportunity, please contact the Gift Planning Services office.

QCD givers are often interested in the tax advantages of other charitable giving options, such as a charitable gift of retirement assets through a beneficiary designation or utilization of a testamentary charitable remainder unitrust (CRUT). Please contact Gift Planning Services for more information at (630) 752-5332 or gift.plan@wheaton.edu.