

CARES, COVID-19, and Your Support



Thank you for your support of Carleton College. While the health and wellbeing of our family and loved ones is our top priority at this time, our office is open as a resource for donors considering making an impact during these unprecedented times.

The CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act was created to help individuals, businesses, and nonprofits facing economic hardship during the coronavirus pandemic. While many of your giving options and opportunities have not changed, there are a few key points to note:

REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

The new law waives required minimum distributions (RMD) for the 2020 tax year. Many of you have used your RMD to make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) directly from your IRA directly to Carleton. Despite the requirement to withdraw from your IRA being suspended, if you are 70½ or older, you can still make a gift from your IRA or name Carleton as a beneficiary.

A GIFT FROM YOUR IRA IS STILL A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

- Carleton will benefit from your gift today; you can see your generosity in real time.
- You pay no income taxes on the gift. The transfer generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your deductions.
- Since the gift doesn't count as income, it can reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your amounts that are subject to tax.

NEW TAX INCENTIVES

The CARES Act provides full tax deductibility for all cash gifts up to \$300 regardless of whether you itemize or not. For individuals who do itemize, gifts to Carleton are now tax deductible up to 100% of your adjusted gross income (up from 60% last year).

REMINDER

While you may look at \$300 as a small gift, we remind you that gifts of all types and sizes combine to have a huge impact!

YOUR CHARITABLE INTENTIONS

In these delicate and unprecedented times, we're especially grateful for your support. Planned gifts from people like you sustain our ability to carry on. We welcome your questions and comments. Contact us any time.

As always, please consult a qualified advisor before making a new gift commitment.

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