


# Ohio SGO Tax Credits Explained

A simple guide to how Ohio donors may benefit when supporting a certified Scholarship Granting Organization.

**1. Who can donate?**



- Ohio taxpayers may donate to a certified Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO)
- Married couples filing jointly may also qualify
- Donations must go directly to a certified Ohio SGO
- Monetary donations are required

**2. What is the tax benefit?**





Dollar-for-dollar  
Ohio tax credit




max per  
taxpayer



max for  
married filing  
jointly

The credit is generally based on the amount donated and the donor's eligibility.

**3. What donations qualify?**




- ✓ Money donated directly to an eligible Ohio SGO
- ✓ Keep your donation receipt or acknowledgment
- ✓ Donate during the tax year, or by the filing deadline if eligible under Ohio rules
- ✓ Use the certified SGO list when choosing an organization

**4. Simple examples**



Donate \$500 →  
may qualify for up to a  
\$500 Ohio credit



Donate \$750 →  
may qualify for up to a  
\$750 Ohio credit



Married filing jointly:  
Donate \$1,500 →  
may qualify for up to a  
\$1,500 Ohio credit

**5. How do you claim it?**



1. Choose a  
certified Ohio SGO



2. Make your  
donation



3. Receive and save  
your receipt



4. Claim the credit on  
your Ohio return

Common forms: Ohio IT 1040 + Ohio Schedule of Credits

**6. Important reminders**



This is an Ohio  
state tax credit



Keep  
good records



Always donate to  
a certified SGO



Tax results depend  
on your own  
situation

**Simple takeaway**



Donate to a certified Ohio SGO →



Help fund scholarships →

Potentially reduce your Ohio tax bill



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