

FACTSHEET: Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs)

A Tax-Smart Way to Support SilverSource

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What is a QCD?

A **QCD** is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA to a qualified nonprofit — like SilverSource. A QCD may allow you to support the causes you care about while potentially reducing your taxable income. Individuals age 70½ or older with a traditional IRA may be eligible under current IRS rules.

How do they differ from regular charitable gifts?

A regular charitable gift reduces your taxes only if you itemize deductions. A QCD may reduce your taxable income even if you do not itemize, because it is excluded from taxable income rather than claimed as a deduction. For some donors, this can provide a tax benefit even when taking the standard deduction.

You may be eligible if you:

- Are 70½ or older.
- Have a traditional IRA.

Why a QCD may be right for you:

- May reduce taxable income.
- If you're 73+, may count toward your Required Minimum Distribution.

How to make a QCD in three steps

1. Tell your IRA custodian (e.g., Fidelity, Vanguard) that you want to make a QCD to SilverSource.
2. Provide our information: SilverSource, Inc.
1100 Summer Street,
Stamford, CT 06905
Tax ID #99-1895904
3. Ask your custodian to send your gift **directly** to SilverSource. A check made out to you personally doesn't qualify as a QCD and may be treated as taxable income. To count for the current tax year, SilverSource must receive your QCD by December 31.

A QCD may reduce your taxable income while helping seniors remain safe, housed, and supported. Contact Sam Connor at Sconnor@silversource.org or [475 275-0961](tel:475-275-0961) to learn more.

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