



## DONATION FAQs

**Thank you for your interest in our hearing aid donation program!**

Pacific Hearing Connection uses donated hearing aids to support our mission of building the self-worth of individuals by restoring their hearing potential and providing them with opportunities to engage with their communities through service to others.

### Where does my donation go?

Your donation will be used at the point of greatest need. Your device will be refurbished, repaired, or used for credits towards our local fittings and overseas trips.

### Can I receive a tax benefit from my donation?

The answer is yes! Please take a look the information below to find out the IRS guidelines:

- The tax law allows a deduction for the fair market value of the donation. The IRS reminds donors to maintain records of their donation to substantiate the value of their gift.
- Assistance regarding donations is available in Publication 526, Charitable Contributions, and Publication 561, Determining the Value of Donated Property. Both publications are available at the IRS website, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).
- To help you determine the value of your donation, you can use a five year, straight line depreciation:
  - Divide the original cost by 5 to determine yearly depreciation.
  - Multiply the yearly depreciation by the age of the aids.
  - Subtract that figure from the original cost to determine the remaining value.
- **Donations must be postmarked by 12/31 to receive tax benefits for the next filing!**

### Do I need a receipt for my donation?

Yes, if you are interested in claiming your donation on your annual tax return. We will give you a receipt if you provide your contact information when you make your donation.

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