



Making the dream of a Christian education a reality for Indiana families.

MISSION

The Lutheran SGO of Indiana exists to raise funds from individuals and businesses to provide scholarship funds to all eligible students wanting to attend an Indiana Lutheran school.

VISION

The Lutheran SGO of Indiana will ensure that all eligible families in Indiana have the opportunity to attend the Lutheran school of their choice. Our efforts will support enrollment growth and Christian outreach to families.

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MAKE A DONATION

YES! I want to make Christian education a reality for families in Indiana. Please accept the following gift: \$ _____

- for a general SGO fund for all students, or
- for specific Indiana non-public school(s)

PLEASE NOTE: Direct gifts to "The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana"

Payment

- Check enclosed Online donation
- Donated securities IRA transfer
- Farm Assets Contact me
- I am interested in AutoPay
- Debit/Credit information (below)

Name _____

Home Church _____

Signature _____

Full Address _____

State, ZIP _____

Phone _____

Email _____ @ _____

Debit/credit card No. _____

Card security code _____ Exp. date ____/____

Your Indiana Tax Credit Certificate will be mailed with your official thank you letter.

Please complete form and mail or email to:
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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is an Indiana Tax Credit Scholarship?

Tax Credit Scholarships, better known as “SGO Scholarships”, are scholarships awarded by Scholarship Granting Organizations to low- and middle-income families to help them afford the non-public school of their choice. Donations to fund SGO scholarships feature a 50% state tax credit for the donor.

Are SGOs and Vouchers the same thing?

No. The official name for a Voucher is a “School Choice Scholarship” and the similarity in names is a cause for confusion. One key difference between SGOs and Vouchers is that SGO Scholarships are funded by charitable donations, while Vouchers are funded by state tax distributions. The Voucher and SGO programs also have separate efforts and guidelines.

What is The Lutheran SGO of Indiana?

The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana, Inc. is a separately incorporated, 501(c)3

charitable organization, created to provide SGO scholarships specifically for non-public schools in Indiana. Each participating non-public school has its own sub-account. There is also a general fund for donors wanting to benefit any of our schools in need of additional SGO scholarship support.

What is the Tax Credit available to SGO donors?

Donors are eligible to take advantage of a 50% credit against their state tax liability for these contributions.

What about the federal tax deduction?

Your gift to our SGO is also tax-deductible to the full extent of the federal charitable tax laws.

What is an example of the possible benefits?

Example: donation of \$10,000 could result in the following benefits for a donor in a 25% tax bracket:

**\$5,000 tax credit from your Indiana state tax due*

**\$2,500 deduction from your federal tax due*

**Knowing that you made possible scholarships for students to receive a Christ-centered education!*

What can I donate to The Lutheran SGO?

Support for SGO scholarships can come from many of the same sources as any gift to charity, including checks, credit/debit cards, stocks, etc. Making a donation to our SGO is a simple process. You will need to direct your donation to “The Lutheran SGO of Indiana”, not to your school or your church if you want the tax credit. You will also need to complete the form on this brochure.

Is there a limit to how much I can donate?

There is a \$8.5 million per-fiscal-year cap on available state tax credits for up to \$17 million in donations statewide. There are no limits on the size of contributions; you or your business could donate

\$5 or \$5,000,000, depending on the remaining tax credits available statewide.

Is there a limit to the Tax Credit I could receive?

You can reduce or eliminate up to the full amount you have paid or will owe the state. You may rollover any unused credits for an additional nine years.

Can I direct my gift to a specific school?

Donors can designate their donation to any Indiana Lutheran school or to the General Fund.

Who can donate to The Lutheran SGO?

Anyone can support SGO scholarships! However, to receive the Tax Credit you must pay or owe Indiana state taxes. Donations can come from corporations, partnerships, LLCs, PCs, the self-employed, or individual taxpayers.

