

Making the Most of Non-Cash Charitable Donations

During the year, we all do some closet cleaning and take plastic bags or cardboard boxes of used clothing and household goods to local non-profit organizations or arrange for a truck to come to the home and pickup the items. If you itemize your deductions on your federal income tax return, those donations can be tax-dollar savers. To help you determine the value of your non-cash donations, here are some helpful hints:

Make a list of the donated property, being sure to make a separate list for each bag or box that is donated. At the top of the list, write the name and address of the charity along with the date the donation was made.

Divide the list into several columns and complete as accurately as possible:

- ! Description of item
- ! Quantity (number of shirts, slacks, sweaters, etc.)
- ! Condition of item (new, good, fair or poor)
- ! Fair market value at the time of the donation
- ! Date acquired and cost basis (if known)

For alternative sources of valuation guides please visit::

<https://satruck.org/Home/DonationValueGuide>

<https://www.amazinggoodwill.com/donating/donor-guidelines>

Below is a list of various items that are usually available at the Salvation Army and Goodwill donation centers with a high-low range of values for items in good condition (means appliances are in working order and clothing or bedding items are clean and not torn). As always, please feel free to call the office and discuss your personal situation with regard to these and other non-cash charitable donations.

WOMEN'S CLOTHING		MEN'S CLOTHING		CHILDREN'S CLOTHING		FURNITURE	
Blouse	3-12	Belts/ties	3-8	Blouse/shirt	2-8	Chest	26-99
Bras/slips	1-6	Jacket	8-26	Boots	3-21	China cabinet	89-311
Coat	4-41	Overcoat	15-62	Jacket	3-26	Convertible sofa	85-300
Dress	4-20	Pajamas	2-8	Jeans	4-12	Dresser/mirror	21-104
Jacket	4-12	Raincoat	16-21	Slacks/skirts	2-8	Double bed with mattress	50-170
Nightgown/robe	4-12	Shirt	3-12	Shoes	3-9	Double mattress	13-78
Purses	2-20	Shoes	4-26	Snowsuit	4-20	End tables (2)	10-52
Slacks	4-12	Slacks	5-12	Sweater	3-8	Floor lamp	8-40
Shoes/boots	2-26	Sweater	3-12	Underwear	1-4	Folding bed	21-62
Suit	6-26	Suit	16-62			Kitchen cabinet	26-78
Sweater	4-16					Kitchen table	25-60
		APPLIANCES		SPORTING GOODS		Kitchen chair	3-10
MISC.		Dryer	47-93	Bicycle	15-65	Piano/organ	75-200
Christmas tree	15-50	Washer	50-125	Fishing rod	5-25	Rugs	21-93
Riding mower	99-311	Vacuum cleaner	16-67	Ice/roller skates	10-40	Single bed with mattress	36-104
Lawn mower	26-104	Gas stove	52-130	Pool table	20-75	Single mattress	16-36
Elec. Typewriter	75-200	Electric stove	78-156	Sled	5-20	Sofa	36-207
B/w television	25-60	Air conditioner	21-93	Tennis racket	5-40	Stuffed chair	25-90
Color television	75-225					Waterbed frame	15-40
Sewing machine	15-75	FURNITURE SETS		DRY GOODS			
Snow blower	50-150	Bedroom	75-850	Blanket	3-16		
Books/hardback	1-3	Dining room	90-900	Bedspread	3-25	BABY ITEMS	
Books/paper	3-10	Kitchen	36-176	Curtains	2-12	Crib/mattress	25-100
Board games	1-5	Waterbed	75-325	Drapes	7-41	High chair	10-50
Trunk	5-70			Pillows	2-8	Playpen	15-30
				Sheets	2-8	Stroller	10-40

Remember these values are a guideline for those items you donate and are based on the condition of the item. Your list(s) and receipt(s) will not be attached to your tax return unless the aggregate total of the items exceeds \$500, but will be part of your records in the event your tax return is selected for audit.

Non-Cash Contribution Worksheet for Tax Year_____

A	B QTY.	C FM	D TOTAL	E	F	G QTY.	H FM	I TOTAL
Ladies					Children's			
Blouses					Blouses			
Bathrobes					Boots			
Boots					Coats			
Bathing suits					Dresses			
Coats					Jackets			
Dresses					Jeans/Pants			
Evening dresses					Snowsuits			
Fur coats					Shirts			
Handbags					Shoes			
Hats					Skirts			
Jeans/Slacks					Slacks			
Skirts					Sweaters			
Shoes								
Slips/bras					MENS			
Suits					CLOTHING			
Sweaters								
					Coats			
					Jackets			
DRY GOODS					Jeans/Slacks			
					Shirts-Dress			
Blankets					Shirts-Polo			
Bedsreads					Shoes			
Curtains					Sport Jackets			
Drapes					Sweater			
Pillows					Suits			
Sheets					Ties/belts			
Throw rugs								
Towels					HOUSEHOLD			
					ITEMS			
FURNITURE								
					Bric-a-brac			
Chairs/recliners					Dishes			
Loveseats/sofas					Glassware			
Table & chairs					Pots & pans			
Other tables					Utensils			
other chairs					Lamps			
Area rugs					Mirrors			
Baby items:					Pictures			
Cribs					Sewing			
High chairs					Luggage			
Playpens					Toys & games			
Strollers					Books-hardback			
					Books-			
OTHER					Magazines			
					Computer			
					Printer			
					GARAGE			
Total column D								
Total column I					Lawn mowers			
Grand total					Lawn tools			
					Wheelbarrow			
Date of					Lawn furniture			
Receipt					Gas grills			
Name & address					Small tools			
of organization								