

# Arizona Tax Credits

Donations made to Chicanos Por La Causa (CPLC) prior to April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 may be eligible for two 2018 Arizona tax credits:

- Credit for Contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organizations (QCOs)
  - Public Schools Tax Credit
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## Credits for Contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organizations (QCOs)

**The credit:** Donations to any CPLC program are eligible for the Contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organization (QCO) tax credit.

**The amount:** Donations CPLC— up to \$400 for individuals or \$800 for couples filing jointly— are eligible for the credit.

**How it works:** Unlike a tax deduction, a **tax credit directly reduces the amount of taxes you owe** to the state, dollar for dollar. This means a donation of \$400 will reduce your tax liability by \$400 or increase your tax refund by \$400. This allows you to donate to programs helping the working poor and get your money back— **it's like donating for free.**

**How to claim:** As long as you pay income taxes in the State of Arizona, your donations to CPLC can be eligible for the credit. Just report the amount you donated to CPLC on [Form 321](#). You **do not** need to itemize your tax return to qualify for tax credits.

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## Public School Tax Credits

**The credit:** Donations to **CPLC Community Schools** are eligible for the Public School Tax Credit.

**The amount:** Donations of up to \$200 for individuals or \$400 for married couples filing jointly are eligible for the credit.

**How it works:** The Public School Tax Credit **reduces the amount you owe to the state**, dollar for dollar. A donation of \$200 will reduce your tax liability by \$200 (but it will not increase your tax refund). If your tax is reduced to zero, you can carry the unused credit forward for the next five years.

**How to claim:** As long as you pay income taxes in the State of Arizona, your donations to CPLC can be eligible for the credit. Just report the amount you donated to CPLC on [Form 322](#). You **do not** need to itemize your tax return to qualify for tax credits.