Financial Donation-Related Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), including Credit for Contributions to a Qualifying Charitable Organization
(http://coconino.az.gov/DocumentCenter/View/4638)

1) How can I give financial donations to Coconino County Community Services?
There are two easy ways to give, either by writing a check and mailing or hand delivering it to Community Services, or by donating online with your credit card via PayPal. Either way, if you have any donation accounting questions not answered here, please call the Coconino County Community Services Administrative Manager at (928) 679-7426.

a) To donate in person or by mail, make your check payable to “CCCSD,” write “donation” in the memo line, and send to:
   Coconino County Community Services
   2625 N. King Street
   Flagstaff, Arizona  86004
   Attention: Administrative Manager

b) To donate online with your credit card via PayPal, click Donate Now! Or, click on or copy the Community Services Webpage URL (http://www.coconino.az.gov/index.aspx?NID=143) and paste it into your Internet browser.

2) Typically, how are donations used to help our Coconino County community neighbors?
Visit Coconino County Community Services’ Webpages for more detailed information, but in brief Community Services provides assistance to our most vulnerable community members. Social Services help those needing housing, utilities, and financial coaching assistance. Senior Services provide meals and assistance for the elderly. Public Fiduciary assists disabled persons who have no one else to care for them. Basic Business Empowerment and Individual Development Accounts provide a hand-up to those moving forward toward self-sufficiency. The Volunteer Program leverages the expertise of caring Coconino County residents to stretch Community Services resources beyond what our capable and committed staff are able to accomplish alone. Lastly, Donations can be given to any of these specific areas of need, or for Community Services applied generally where they are needed most.
3) Are donations to Community Services typically tax deductible?
Yes, Coconino County Community Services is a public nonprofit, community action agency (CAA) and donations to it may be deductible from federal income tax. Public and private nonprofit CAAs were established under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 to fight America's War on Poverty. CAAs help people to help themselves in achieving self-sufficiency. There are approximately 1000 Community Action Agencies, serving the poor nationwide. The majority of CAA program participants are extremely poor, with incomes below 75 percent of the federal poverty threshold, or $9,735 for a family of three (the average family size for the population served).

4) Can my donation to Community Services qualify for a Charitable Tax Credit?
Yes, you may receive an Arizona Charitable Tax Credit for charitable contributions to Coconino County Community Services. Your donation will help those we serve and it will also reduce your Arizona State income tax dollar-for-dollar, up to the legal limit. Lists of All Qualifying Charitable Organizations are linked by year on the Arizona Department of Revenue’s (AZDOR) Qualifying Charitable Organizations webpage (www.azdor.gov/TaxCredits/QualifyingCharitableOrganizations.aspx). The AZDOR website has additional information on the Charitable Tax Credit, including answers to the following questions:
   a) What is the tax credit for charitable organizations?
   b) How do I claim the credit for contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organizations?
   c) How much can I claim for the credit for contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organizations?
   d) Do I have to itemize deductions to claim the credit for contributions to Qualifying Charitable Organizations?
   e) Do I claim my charitable contribution as a tax credit or a deduction?

5) Who can I contact if I have additional Donation questions?
Email Administrative Manager Rosie Wear (rwear@coconino.az.gov), or call 928-679-7426.