



**Making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)
or a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) to Places to Age**

Thank You for considering making a gift through your retirement savings fund to our organization - Places to Age. We are a charitable **501(c)(3)**. We sincerely appreciate your kindness and generosity!

When you reach a certain age, you are allowed to instruct your retirement savings administrator to make either an optional, tax-advantaged distribution to a charitable organization (QCD) OR, at a later age when you are required to take a distribution, send that required minimum distribution (RMD) to a charity.

To facilitate the distribution, you'll need to provide your financial institution with the following information:

- o Investment and dollar amount: The amount you want to distribute.
- o If donating stock: The name of the stock, the number of shares you want to donate, and the date of transfer.
- o The name of the charity you want to donate to:

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PO Box 502
Salida, CO 81201
Tax ID: 99 - 1588995

Here are some other things to keep in mind:

- o You must be at least 70½ years old to make a QCD.
- o You must be at least 73 years old to make an RMD.
- o The maximum annual QCD is \$100,000 per person, or \$200,000 for a couple.
- o You must report these distributions on your federal income tax return.
Ask your tax advisor or other financial professional about tax implications (Places to Age is not able to advise you on these important matters), but often these types of charitable donations provide tax advantages for the donor versus taking the distribution personally.
- o You will receive tax documentation from Places to Age for your donation.
- o You must make a direct transfer from your IRA account to Places to Age.
- o If you withdraw the money directly and then donate it, you will miss the tax advantages.

Questions? Contact us at info@placestoage.org or **719.209.7118**



A **QCD**, or **Qualified Charitable Distribution**, is a tax-efficient way for individuals aged 70½ or older to donate directly from their **IRA (Individual Retirement Account)** to a qualified charity.

Key Features of a QCD:

1. **Tax-Free Distribution:** The amount donated through a QCD is **excluded from your taxable income**, which can reduce your overall tax bill. This is different from taking a taxable distribution and then making a charitable contribution.
2. **Satisfies RMD:** If you're 73 or older and subject to **Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)**, a QCD can **count toward your RMD** for the year—while avoiding the income tax normally associated with RMDs.
3. **Annual Limit:** You can donate up to **\$100,000 per year per person** through a QCD. If you're married and both spouses have IRAs, each can donate \$100,000.
4. **Eligible Accounts:** QCDs must come from a **traditional IRA**. (In limited cases, some inherited IRAs qualify. Roth IRAs rarely make sense for QCDs because distributions are already tax-free.)
5. **Eligible Charities:** The recipient must be a **501(c)(3) organization** that qualifies to receive tax-deductible contributions. Donor-advised funds and private foundations are **not** eligible.
6. You won't be able to **also claim a charitable deduction** for a QCD—it's already excluded from your income.

Example:

If your RMD is \$15,000 and you make a \$10,000 QCD to a qualified charity, you'll only have to withdraw \$5,000 more to meet your RMD—and that \$10,000 won't be included in your taxable income.

Below is **a sample Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) request letter** you can send to your IRA custodian or financial institution:



[Your Name]

[Your Address]

[City, State, Zip Code]

[Phone Number]

[Email Address]

[Date]

To:

[IRA Custodian Name]

[Custodian Address]

[City, State, Zip Code]

Re: Request for Qualified Charitable Distribution from IRA Account [# XXXXXXXX]

Dear [Custodian's Name or "IRA Department"],

I am writing to request a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from my Individual Retirement Account, as permitted under Internal Revenue Code Section 408(d)(8). Please issue a payment in the amount of **[\$[amount]]** directly to the following qualified charitable organization:

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Please make the check payable to the organization listed above and mail it to them.

This distribution is intended to qualify as a QCD for the **[tax year]**. I understand that this distribution must be made directly to the charity and not to me personally in order to qualify. Please ensure that the check includes my name and address on the memo line or accompanying documentation so the charity may provide proper acknowledgment. If you require any additional documentation or forms to complete this request, please contact me at the phone number or via the email address listed above.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

[Your Signature]

[Your Printed Name]