

Donations received by Brentview are used according to the congregation approved Budget that has been determined by the elders, pastors and finance committee. Your donations are distributed to support missionaries and mission partners, develop programs and ministries within the church for all ages, pay our pastors and staff and maintain our church building.

From time to time, the Elders may approve certain special missions or projects.

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding donations at Brentview Baptist Church, or if you would like to sign up for a donation number to receive a tax receipt at the end of each tax year.¹

Footnotes:

- 1) Did you know that you receive a receipt for donations which can result in you receiving up to 50% back when you file your tax return? If you do owe tax, the deduction for an Alberta resident is as follows:

First \$200 of donations	25% refunded
Donations over \$200	50% refunded

The charitable tax deduction is a non-refundable tax credit, so you have to owe tax to get a refund. If for some reason you can't use the deduction this year, you can carry it forward up to 5 years. So, if you already gave \$200 towards the church or other charities, donating \$100 to the church will result in only \$50 out of your pocket. Over the year, it's amazing how your funds could be used and how your tax savings add up.

Tax receipts are issued once a year for all donations received over \$25. You should receive your donation receipt by February 28th of the year following the calendar year in which you made your donation.

- 2) Should your donations be designated to specific approved programs / projects, these funds will be used as directed with the understanding that once needs have been met, or for any reason the program / project cannot be completed as determined by the elders, remaining funds will be allocated where most needed within the approved Budget.