



HELP US CHANGE LIVES at no cost to YOU!

Through this incredible program, you can ensure your Arizona taxes directly help students with developmental disabilities get the care they deserve. All it takes is your time.

These students deserve better teacher to student ratios, adaptive equipment, and a school campus they can be proud of.

With your help, we can continue to make this happen.

If you have more questions about this program, or the impact, contact Justin Travillion, Chief Financial Officer at justin.travillion@laurensaz.org.



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TUITION TAX CREDIT 2024 & 2025

SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATIONS

Anyone with a tax liability in Arizona can donate!

INDIVIDUALS*

Tax Credit limits are whichever is lower:

- 1 Your Tax Liability OR
- 2 The annual tax credit limit which changes each year. For 2024 the limit is \$1,459 filing single or \$2,910 married filing jointly.

Our preferred school tuition organization (STO) partners for individual contributions are:

- **Arizona Tuition Connection (ATC)**
www.arizonatuitionconnection.com
- **Academic Opportunity of Arizona (AOA)**
www.academicopportunity.org
- **APESF**
www.apesf.org

Double your impact with special promotional offers from STOs on #GivingTuesday and AZ Gives Day!

*For individuals that wish to apply with a tax professional or use online software such as TurboTax, please refer to the step by step guide.

CORPORATIONS

C-corps, S-corps and LLC's that file as S-corps such as medical practices, law firms, insurance agents, tax professionals, restaurants, mortgage companies, contractors, and more can also donate.

Our preferred school tuition organization (STO) partners for corporation contributions are:

- **Arizona Leadership Foundation (ALF)**
www.arizonaleader.org
- **Tuition Organization for Private Schools (TOPS)**
www.topsforkids.com
- **Academic Opportunity of Arizona (AOA)**
www.academicopportunity.org

STEP BY STEP GUIDE

- 1 **Determine the amount you want to donate.**
 - You get equal credit as long as you donate below your tax liability and the annual limit.
 - It does not matter if you owe or get a refund.
- 2 **Ask a tax professional or go through online software to determine your tax liability.**
 - Your liability can be found on Line 48 (less lines 49 and 50) of your Arizona Form 140 and Line 58 for both your Arizona 140PY (Part Year Resident) and Arizona 140NR (Non-Resident).
- 3 **Choose the school tuition organization (STO) you want to use to make your donation.**
 - There are many any options in Arizona. Our preferred partners are listed on the left.
- 4 **Recommend L.I.F.E.!**
 - Generally STOs will follow the donors recommendation as long as the school has available scholarship needs.
 - If you do not do this the STO can decide who and when to issue the scholarships to.
 - We do not recommend individual students.
- 5 **Meet the deadline. Submit your donation before filing your taxes.**
 - Contributions can be made any time up to the Arizona filing deadline as long as you have not yet filed your return.
 - Minimize the distance between these two events to ensure no time out of pocket.
- 6 **Claim the donation on your taxes.**
 - The STO should provide proof of contribution that you can bring to your tax professional or file with your support through TurboTax.

L.I.F.E. ACADEMY

We offer classrooms with the support your loved one needs to thrive. We have multiple classrooms that support students with a wide array of cognitive, physical, and emotional needs. We believe in tailoring education to a student. We develop individualized learning plans and use research-supported curriculum. Many of our students receive on-site therapy and behavior support (ABA) and all our departments work together in a transdisciplinary approach. We also provide numerous enhancement programs and are fortunate to have a beautiful campus with many fun and engaging environments. And most of all we have caring teachers and staff.

ACCREDITATION

Our academy received a 5-year accreditation on February 11, 2021! L.I.F.E. believes it is not enough to simply say we are excelling in our model of teaching and learning, but we want to have the means to demonstrate excellence and provide data-proven results and accountability. We are so proud to be accredited with Cognia and to have been rated in the highest categories. We hope this brings our families a sense of peace.



TUITION

At L.I.F.E. our mission includes providing our services at little to no cost to families. While our academy's annual tuition is \$37,500 we assist families in securing scholarships to cover this tuition. Further, L.I.F.E. has always accepted the student's award/eligibility as payment in full for the student's tuition even when it does not meet the \$37,500. We do this so L.I.F.E. can remain true to its values and mission to serve all people regardless of financial abilities. We are very grateful for all our donors including our corporate and individual tax credit donors that enable us to provide this support to families.

OUR MISSION

Working together to empower people through extraordinary services for developmental disabilities.

OUR SEVEN C's

The extraordinary in L.I.F.E.'s mission is exemplified in our seven C's.

- 1. CARING:** Above all we care about the well-being of our consumers and their families! We consider them part of the "L.I.F.E. Family."
- 2. CUSTOMIZED COMPREHENSIVE:** We believe the best approach to disability services is individualized care that considers the whole person, all areas of need, and the family's goals. We offer an extensive selection of disability services all through L.I.F.E. to reduce strain on families & to foster our transdisciplinary approach.
- 3. COHESIVE COLLABORATION:** We have always believed collaboration between professionals is paramount to the success of a consumer. However, we recognize cohesive collaboration, where team members' approaches are all working in concert, is challenging. We make continuous efforts to establish effective transdisciplinary teams.
- 4. CURRENT:** We strive to employ the most current strategies and interventions using evidence-based practice. We invest in extensive continuing education for our staff, so they remain up-to-date in their knowledge and skills.
- 5. COMMUNICATION:** We recognize the essential importance of communication. We communicate with families regularly to keep them "in-the-know" on their loved one's services.
- 6. COST-CONSCIOUS:** We are a nonprofit that believes the ability to receive the best care should not be based on income. We accept funding through private and state insurance as well as scholarships.
- 7. COMMUNITY:** We believe it is important to extend our mission outside of L.I.F.E. by helping to educate others that work with the disability community. We have multiple community partnerships and provide consultation services for other organizations.