



CROSSWAYS

CAMPING MINISTRIES

Crossways is blessed with an incredibly generous community of supporters. We have a wide variety of ways that you can support camp, including both cash and non-cash donations. If you are interested in donating in a way not listed here, please contact our administrative office: 920-882-0023.

UNIQUE 2020 OPPORTUNITIES

CARES Act Charitable Provisions

The [CARES Act](#) contains two major provisions that increase tax incentives for charitable giving.

First, for charitable cash contributions made in 2020, it allows donors to deduct up to 100% of Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) vs. the normal 60% limitation.

Second, for those who take the standard deduction and do not itemize their deductions, the CARES Act allows for an additional \$300, above-the-line, charitable deduction for contributions to organizations such as Crossways. The deduction applies ONLY for gifts of cash made in the calendar year 2020.

Talk with your financial or tax advisor about how these incentives could benefit both you and Crossways at the same time!

CASH DONATIONS

One-time Giving

This popular form of giving allows maximum flexibility and rapid response to emerging conditions. You can make a secure online donation at crosswayscamps.org/donate, or you can make out a check to Crossways Camping Ministries and mail it to:

Crossways Camping Ministries
912 N. Oneida St.
Appleton, WI 54911

Recurring Gifts

More donors are choosing to invest their dollars by automating their giving. When you sign up for a monthly gift, you provide a reliable, predictable revenue for camp. You can do this securely at crosswayscamps.org/donate, or you can work with your online banking software to initiate a monthly bill-pay to Crossways.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Eligible Thrivent clients can direct where Thrivent distributes its charitable funding. Crossways is one of the pre-screened organizations that you can select. Check your eligibility and direct your dollars at <https://www.thrivent.com/what-we-offer/generosity/thrivent-choice.html#thrivent-choice-meaning>

Thrivent Action Team Grants

If you are a Thrivent Member, you can apply for either one or two Action Team grants annually. If you are a Benefit Member, you are eligible to apply for two grants annually, and if you are an Associate Member, you are eligible to apply for one grant annually. Spouses who are both Members are each eligible separately. Valued at up to \$250 each, these are a great way to help Crossways with specific projects. Past Action Teams have included aspects of the GALA, staining decks at camp, and preparing fundraiser mailings. Our staff keep a list of ideas at all times, and would love to share with you how your Action Team grant could help Crossways. Read more at <https://www.thrivent.com/what-we-offer/generosity/thrivent-action-teams.html>

Account Distributions

Many tax-deferred retirement and investment accounts have a required minimum distribution (RMD) amount that must be distributed annually once you reach a particular age. The IRS provides a way for you to do a direct tax-free transfer of those funds as a Qualified Charitable Distribution to 501(c)3 organizations such as Crossways. Speak with your financial or tax advisor about how you can arrange for the distribution to go directly to Crossways. We are happy to talk with your advisor about the best way to transmit the funds directly to us.

Private Foundation Distributions

Generally speaking, a private foundation that is not a private operating foundation is required to distribute a percentage of the total fair market value annually. Speak with your financial or tax advisor about how you can arrange for the distribution to go directly to Crossways. We are happy to talk with your advisor about the best way to transmit the funds directly to us.

NON-CASH DONATIONS

Stocks or Bonds

We have established practices for accepting gifts of stocks. Please contact our Business Manager Lisa Hansen (lisa@crosswayscamps.org or 920-882-0023) for our account and routing information for donating stocks or bonds to Crossways. Questions may also be directed to our Wells Fargo representative, James Hietpas: jim.hietpas@wellsfargoadvisors.com, 920-731-1150.

Commodities

If you produce a marketable commodity, you can make a gift with your unsold inventory. This includes products like corn, wheat, almonds, avocados, cattle, etc. We partner with the ELCA Foundation to maximize the value of your gift while reducing taxable income. Questions should be directed to our Regional Gift Planner, Cindy Halverson: Cynthia.halverson@elca.org, 773-380-2572.

Camp Wish Lists

Our camps update the website quarterly, to give you an idea of tangible items we need. Many must be purchased new, but some can be donated (if they've been used gently). Read the updated lists at <https://www.crosswayscamps.org/site-needs>