

# REDUCE YOUR TAX BURDEN WHILE CHANGING THE LIFE OF A TEENAGER!

YOP TAX CREDIT



Support our Teen Outreach Program and **reduce your Missouri state tax liability by 50% of your total contribution** through Youth Opportunity Program (YOP) tax credits.

Any individual or business with a Missouri state tax liability qualifies for YOP tax credits. YOP credits can be used in addition to federal and state charitable deductions, significantly reducing the after-tax cost of your gift.

YOP credits can be applied to the tax year in which the donation was made, and any remaining YOP credits can be used over the next five years.

## Example:

TAX BRACKET	22%	37%
Donation Amount	\$1,000	\$1,000
Federal Tax Deduction	(\$110)	(\$175)
Missouri Tax Deduction	(\$23.50)	(\$23.50)
Missouri Tax Credit	(\$500)	(\$500)
<b>NET OUT OF POCKET:</b>	<b>\$366.50</b>	<b>\$301.50</b>

*This example does not constitute tax advice, and it is merely an estimate because it does not consider various itemized deduction limitations that may apply to a donor. Please consult a tax professional to understand how YOP tax credits can affect your tax liability.*

## Steps to receive YOP tax credits:

1. Make a gift of \$1,000 or more to Teen Outreach Program. Gifts of cash, check, credit card, stocks, or other securities are acceptable\*.

\*Include YOP/Teen Outreach Program in memo line or online gift designation.

2. We will send you an acknowledgment letter and tax credit application with instructions for completing the application.
3. After you have completed and returned the notarized form to us, you will receive a certification letter from the State of Missouri's Department of Economic Development with instructions on how to redeem your tax credits.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Banks
- Corporations
- Individuals
- LLCs
- Partnerships



**QUESTIONS?** Please contact Lisa Williams at 314.286.0970  
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## TEEN OUTREACH PROGRAM

Our Teen Outreach Program (TOP) offers intervention and encouragement to reverse the odds for at-risk youth in our region.

Teens who drop out of school are more likely to become teen parents and live in poverty. And, socioeconomic status is the most powerful predictor of disease, disorder, injury, and mortality.

St. Louis Children's Hospital recognizes that programs for youth that build on social-emotional learning, boost healthy behaviors, and encourage youngsters to have a powerful vision for their future form a clear pathway to making a bigger impact on the health and wellness of our region.

TOP works with more than 800 St. Louis city middle school teens each year, providing weekly group discussions and activities that include concrete instruction in how to manage emotions, take responsibility, solve problems, and engage in teamwork through community service learning. TOP facilitators support teens in discovering their sense of purpose that, in turn, helps decrease rates of academic failure, dropout, school suspension, and pregnancy for disadvantaged teens.

### Student Impact in 2024-2025:

**82.9% of students**  
went above and beyond, completing  
more than 15 community service hours.

**12,746 hours**  
of community service were completed  
by TOP students in the 2024-2025  
school year.

**More than 800 teens**  
participate in this life-altering program  
during each school year.

