#### Charitable Giving and Public Policy



National experts convened by Independent Sector and Tax Policy Center agree that the data supports the following facts:

## Giving Incentives Work

Tax incentives play a powerful role in encouraging charitable giving, both directly and by signaling that our society values giving as a building block for strong communities.



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#### Donations **Expected to Drop**

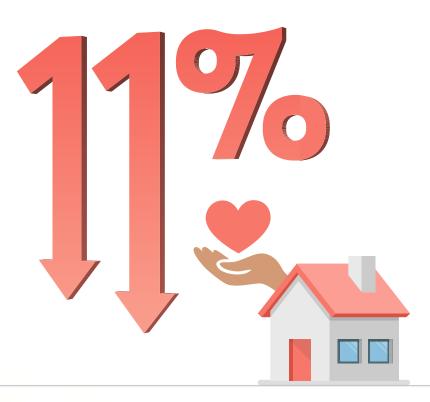
The 2017 tax act is estimated to **reduce charitable giving** by about **\$15-17 billion**.



## Fewer Households Give

There is widespread concern about the continued decline in the number of donors and the increased concentration of giving at the very top of the income spectrum.

The number of households giving dropped by 11 percent between 2000 and 2014





#### Congress Needs to Act

Changing tax policy, such as expanding charitable giving incentives to all taxpayers, could combat these trends and create a fairer tax code that helps charities serve all members of their community.

#### Learn more.

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