

**2015 Schedule G Voluntary Charitable Donations**

Attach to your Form IL-1040

IL Attachment No. 24

**Make a difference . . . Donate to a worthy cause.**

If you are getting a tax refund, you can share it with the listed charities. If you are not getting a refund, you can still make a contribution.

Step 1: Provide the following information

Your name as shown on Form IL-1040

Your Social Security number

Step 2: Donations Note: Any donation will reduce your refund or increase the amount you owe.

- 1** Enter the amount you wish to donate to each of the following voluntary charitable donation funds. You may contribute any whole-dollar amount of \$1 or more. Note: A description of each fund is on the back of this schedule.

(Whole dollars only)

a Wildlife Preservation Fund	a _____ .00
b Alzheimer's Disease Research Fund	b _____ .00
c Assistance to the Homeless Fund	c _____ .00
d Diabetes Research Fund	d _____ .00
e Special Olympics Illinois and Special Children's Charities Fund	e _____ .00
f U.S.S. Illinois Commissioning Fund	f _____ .00
g Autism Care Fund	g _____ .00

- 2** Add Lines **a** through **g**. This is your donations total. Enter this amount on Line 34 of your 2015 Form IL-1040.

➔ **2** _____ .00

General Information

What is the purpose of Schedule G?

Schedule G, Voluntary Charitable Donations, allows you to figure the amount of donations that you wish to make to one or more of the eligible funds. You may contribute any whole-dollar amount of \$1 or more.

Once you designate the funds to which you wish to contribute and the amount of your contribution, you may not file an amended return to make changes to the designated funds or the contribution amounts.

What are the qualified contribution funds?

- a Wildlife Preservation Fund** - Help ensure the survival of native plants and animals with your contribution. Conservation of wildlife and their habitats is an ever-growing challenge. Your donation will pay for "on-the-ground" projects to restore habitat, conduct needed research on rare and endangered species, rehabilitate injured wildlife, and educate Illinoisans about the value of our native wildlife. Please visit the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Facebook page or the IDNR website at www.dnr.state.il.us/orc/wpf for more information.
- b Alzheimer's Disease Research Fund** - An estimated 210,000 Illinois residents suffer from Alzheimer's disease. Grants from this fund will help support important research to find a cure and treatment for this progressive and fatal brain disorder, which is the fifth leading cause of death in Illinois for people 65 and older.
- c Assistance to the Homeless Fund** - Your contribution supports local agencies that provide shelter, meals, and services needed by homeless families and individuals. The assistance given by the local not-for-profit organizations enables homeless people to regain residence in the community and maintain their independence.
- d Diabetes Research Fund** - More than 1 million Illinois residents have diabetes and that number is expected to increase 25 percent by 2020. Diabetes can cause serious health complications, including heart disease, blindness, and kidney failure, and is the eighth leading cause of death. Contributions will be used to support research on the detection, prevention, screening, management, and treatment of diabetes. One-half the funds will be dedicated to juvenile diabetes research efforts.
- e Special Olympics Illinois and Special Children's Charities Fund** - Donations are split between Special Olympics Illinois (SOI) and Special Children's Charities (SCC). SOI and SCC provide free, year-round sports training and athletic competition in Olympic-type sports for over 27,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities throughout the State of Illinois and City of Chicago. The very first Special Olympics Games were held in 1968 in Chicago and SOI has since grown to serve athletes and families throughout Illinois. Your contribution allows these athletes to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, to celebrate their strengths and gather in the spirit of sport and camaraderie.
- f U.S.S. Illinois Commissioning Fund** - The U.S.S. Illinois (SSN-786) is a Virginia-class submarine and the first naval ship since 1897 to carry the Illinois name. Your contribution provides funds to the U.S.S. Illinois Commissioning Committee for the purpose of providing ongoing support for the ship and its crew.
- g Autism Care Fund** - Autism currently affects 1 in every 50 children today. Your contribution supports the Autism Society of Illinois in their mission to improve the lives of individuals and families in Illinois affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders through awareness, education, training, support, and guidance.

