



# Secretary of State

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## Plan for Giving Wisely

While there are many deserving organizations in need of support, giving wisely makes the most of your generosity. Creating a **Giving Plan** can help. Here are some tips .

- Make an **annual** personalized giving plan—make a list and check it!
- Include who and how much you want to give.
- Donate by check - **never** send cash.



- Research charities **before** you give. **Call** the Better Business Bureau, check the **Consumer Alerts** at the Attorney General's or the Secretary of State's web sites, **ask** people you know. Check it out!

### MAKE YOUR DONATION COUNT

- If someone calls, **you** should ask detailed questions
- **Always** request written information from telemarketers
- Hang up the phone on aggressive or harassing telemarketers.



*Give a little, or give a lot, but please  
Give Wisely*

### Charity & Nonprofit Education Program

- Consider other ways to support an organization or cause. Many of them need volunteers to support their mission. Contact your favorite charity today to find out about opportunities to serve.
- To find a list of charities in your area, check out the Secretary of State's web site or give us a call.

**www.sos.wa.gov/charities**  
**1-800-332-GIVE**