

KENNEDY-DONOVAN CENTER

DONOR FAQs

1. [Why should I donate my vehicle when I can sell it?](#)
A: By donating your vehicle, you may receive greater value for your vehicle as a charitable contribution on your itemized tax return, you will avoid the hassles, cost and time demands of selling your vehicle and, most importantly, you will make a valuable contribution to help people in need in your community.
2. [What types of vehicles do you accept as donations?](#)
A: We accept most vehicles and vessels including cars, trucks, trailers, boats and RV's.
3. [Is my donation tax deductible?](#)
A: Yes. If you itemize, vehicle donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Individual tax situations vary, so please check with a tax professional to determine what tax benefits you may be entitled to receive. Volunteers of America, our designated vehicle donation vendor, will provide you with a receipt and a copy of the appropriate page from Kelly's Blue Book to assist you in evaluating the fair market value of your donated vehicle, per IRS guidelines. Again, please consult your tax advisor.
4. [Does my vehicle need to be in driving condition?](#)
A: No. As long as the vehicle is complete (tires, engine, drive line and transmission are intact) and the tires are properly inflated to permit safe towing, we are able to accept most vehicles, whether they run or not.

Please note: Volunteers of America reserves the sole right to evaluate potential donated vehicles to determine if the donation warrants acceptance. In cases where it is determined that the value of the vehicle is less than the cost of towing, the donation will be respectfully declined.

5. [Is your vehicle pick-up service area nationwide?](#)
A: Yes, in most cases, we are able to pick up accepted vehicles in the continental U.S.
6. [How is the value of my vehicle determined?](#)
A: The IRS allows you, the donor, to assess the fair market value of your vehicle. The Kelly Blue Book and the NADA Guide may be used as

helpful references in determining the fair market value of your vehicle. We suggest you review IRS Publication 526, which describes IRS requirements regarding the determination of the value of your donated property.

7. [How will the vehicle be picked up?](#)

A: We will arrange to have your vehicle towed away by a professional towing company.

8. [How long will it take to pick up my vehicle?](#)

A: In most cases, once we have the required information on your vehicle donation, your vehicle will be picked up within 24-48 hours.

9. [How can I contact you to make a vehicle donation?](#)

A: Please complete and submit our online donation form at: www.carshelpingpeople.org/kennedydonovancenter or call us at 508-543-2542 or toll free at 1-800-407-2600.

10. [What percentage of the net proceeds benefits charity?](#)

A: 100% of net proceeds go to charity. The net proceeds are split evenly between Kennedy-Donovan Center and Volunteers of America, our designated car donation vendor.

11. [Why have you partnered with Volunteers of America?](#)

A: Volunteers of America is a national, nonprofit, spiritually based organization providing local human service programs and opportunities for individual and community involvement. From rural America to inner-city neighborhoods, Volunteers of America provides efficient, well-managed outreach programs that deal with today's most pressing social needs.

12. [What happens to my vehicle after I donate it?](#)

A: The vehicle is sold at a wholesale or public auction. Net proceeds from the sale are then split evenly between Kennedy-Donovan Center and Volunteers of America.