

Receipting: Gifts of Service

Introduction (Slide 1)

This module looks at the basic rules that apply to gifts of service.

The module answers questions on:

- ❖ What is considered a gift of service?
- ❖ Can our charity receipt for gifts of service?
- ❖ Where can we get more information on gifts of service?

Gifts of Service (Slide 2&3)

A gift is defined as the voluntary transfer of property without consideration.

Services are not considered property. Therefore, gifts of service, that is, time, skills, or effort, do not qualify as gifts.

If a person receives payment for their services, and subsequently donates the amount of the payment to the charity, a tax receipt can be issued. Because, in this case, there was a transfer of property (cash), a receipt can be issued for the gift of cash.

Notice (Slide 4)

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