



2017 Explanation of Voluntary Contributions

CDA Foundation: The CDA Foundation is a 501(c)3 corporation and therefore all donations are tax deductible as charitable contributions. This money is used to help fund various charities supported by the CDA through grant application process.

COMOM: COMOM (Colorado Mission of Mercy) is a 501(c)3 corporation closely held and supported by the CDA. COMOM is a large-scale, multi-chair dental clinic that travels to underserved areas of Colorado annually, providing free dental care to adults, the elderly and children. All donations are tax deductible as charitable contributions.

CO Political Giving Fund: The Colorado Dental Political Action Committee (CODPAC) and the Colorado Dental Small Donor Committee (CSDSC) give bipartisan contributions to support state legislators who help advance dentistry in Colorado. The first \$50 given to CODPAC each year will be directed to CSDSC. A dentist may give only \$50 to CSDSC each year, but CSDSC can give more than 10 times as much as CODPAC to support state legislators, making it a powerful political tool. Any additional funds contributed in a calendar year will be directed to CODPAC, up to the CODPAC giving limit of \$525 per election cycle. Contributions to CODPAC and CSDSC are not deductible as charitable contributions for tax purposes.

ADPAC: ADPAC raises money to support federal legislators who understand the importance of dentistry and are committed to the enhancement of oral health. ADPAC is designed for only CDA members. \$5,000 is the maximum allowable annual contribution for ADPAC. Prohibited contributions will be returned. All donations to ADPAC should be made from personal accounts. Contributions from corporate or business accounts cannot be accepted. Contributions are strictly voluntary and members can choose not to give without threat of reprisal or retaliation.

Contributions to CODPAC, CSDSC and ADPAC are not tax-deductible. The FEC and secretary of state require that certain information on each donor (name, address, occupation, name of employer) be collected and reported to the agency.