The Wyoming Nonprofit Network urges our Congressional delegations to make a clear statement in support of the charitable giving incentive and to support a non-itemizer (universal) deduction that provides a tax incentive for **ALL** Wyoming citizens.

The bulk of Wyoming nonprofits rely heavily on charitable giving to deliver services and solve local problems. By doubling the standard deduction, Congress cut in half the number of taxpayers who will benefit from a tax deduction for charitable donations. The changes to tax rates and doubling of the standard deduction reduced the number of people itemizing their tax deductions from 30% to just 13%. It is estimated that these changes will reduce charitable giving by more than **$12 billion annually**.

Why is this so important to Wyoming?

Wyoming’s charitable nonprofits rely heavily on Contributions, Gifts and Foundation Grants. We know that individual contributions are critical important in Wyoming. When looking at the sector in Wyoming, 43% of the revenue for charitable nonprofits is derived from these sources. This compares to a national average of 21%.

Program Service revenue is derived from services provided during the course of performing mission-related programs. This includes government contracts. In Wyoming, this accounts for 50% of the revenue. Nationally, income received from program services and contracts accounts for roughly 72% of charitable nonprofit revenue.

The Wyoming Nonprofit Network urges you to support efforts to provide a tax incentive for all Wyoming residents to give back to their communities.