



Which Canadian charities issued the most official donation receipts in 2019?

By Mark Blumberg and Henri Pasha (September 6, 2021)

We recently reviewed the T3010 information for 2019. The database was prepared by the Charities Directorate of CRA in May 2021 and covers about 83,832 charities (which is about **97%** of Canadian registered charities) and their 2019 T3010 returns.

We reviewed the Canadian charities that identified they issued official donation receipts and the total amount of donation receipts issued was approximately \$19.6 billion. Here is a list of the Canadian charities that issued the largest amount of official donation receipts in 2019.

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Please review my caveats at the end about the reliability and usage of T3010 information.

#	Legal name of Registered Charity	Total Donation Receipts Issued (Line 4500)
1.	WORLD VISION CANADA-VISION MONDIALE CANADA	\$226,016,577.00
2.	WILSON 5 FOUNDATION	\$223,982,595.00
3.	THE PETER AND MELANIE MUNK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	\$220,600,000.00
4.	CANADAHELPS CANADON	\$189,171,547.00
5.	Charitable Gift Funds Canada Foundation / Fonds de Bienfaisance Canada	\$186,803,928.00
6.	THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS IN CANADA	\$177,533,188.00
7.	AQUEDUCT FOUNDATION	\$156,283,193.00
8.	FONDATION COURTOIS	\$150,000,000.00
9.	The Hilary and Galen Weston Foundation	\$147,111,446.00

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10.	FDC FOUNDATION	\$134,280,832.00
11.	CHIMP: Charitable Impact Foundation (Canada)	\$126,485,972.00
12.	THE SPROTT FOUNDATION	\$120,246,697.00
13.	PRIVATE GIVING FOUNDATION	\$105,340,625.00
14.	CMA FOUNDATION FONDATION AMC	\$100,771,578.00
15.	PLAN INTERNATIONAL CANADA INC.	\$100,049,068.00
16.	The Good Mind Charitable Fund Le Bon Esprit Fonds de Charité	\$100,000,000.00
17.	THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE SALVATION ARMY IN CANADA/CONSEIL DE DIRECTION DE L'ARMÉE DU SALUT DU CANADA	\$99,974,013.00
18.	THE ST. CLAIR COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY	\$95,736,894.00
19.	THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO	\$92,734,000.00
20.	CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY - SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DU CANCER	\$90,604,844.00
21.	UNITED WAY OF GREATER TORONTO	\$89,025,246.00
22.	THE AZRIELI FOUNDATION/LA FONDATION AZRIELI	\$84,727,176.00
23.	THE ANNUAL FOUNDATION	\$82,500,000.00
24.	HEART AND STROKE FOUNDATION OF CANADA FONDATION DES MALADIES DU COEUR ET DE L'AVC DU CANADA	\$79,937,529.00
25.	THE CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY / LA SOCIETE CANADIENNE DE LA CROIX-ROUGE	\$77,840,652.00
26.	THE M.K. FOUNDATION/LA FONDATION M.K.	\$75,546,070.00
27.	MYHAL FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$73,462,000.00
28.	THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN FOUNDATION	\$71,298,510.00
29.	THE GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY	\$65,649,931.00
30.	RBC FOUNDATION/RBC FONDATION	\$65,449,185.00
31.	Fondation BenefAction/ BenefAction Foundation	\$65,426,086.00

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32.	COMPASSION CANADA	\$65,190,465.00
33.	CANADA GIVES	\$60,807,387.00
34.	DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS CANADA / MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES CANADA	\$57,883,798.00
35.	THE PRINCESS MARGARET CANCER FOUNDATION	\$56,316,362.00
36.	ABUNDANCE CANADA	\$55,790,521.00
37.	L'INSTITUTION ROYALE POUR L'AVANCEMENT DES SCIENCES / ROYAL INSTITUTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING	\$55,431,096.00
38.	CENTRAIDE DU GRAND MONTREAL/CENTRAIDE OF GREATER MONTREAL	\$54,327,820.00
39.	LA FONDATION ROSSY THE ROSSY FOUNDATION	\$51,720,000.00
40.	AGA KHAN FOUNDATION CANADA / FONDATION AGA KHAN CANADA	\$51,375,422.00
41.	THE CALGARY FOUNDATION	\$51,208,305.00
42.	THE ANGEL GABRIEL FOUNDATION	\$50,683,616.00
43.	MORRIS AND ROSALIND GOODMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION / FONDATION DE LA FAMILLE MORRIS ET ROSALIND GOODMAN	\$50,500,878.00
44.	Fondation Mirella & Lino Saputo	\$50,400,657.00
45.	THE NEWLANDS FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$50,000,025.00
46.	THE LANG FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$50,000,025.00
47.	KTIX CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	\$50,000,000.00
48.	THE WINNIPEG FOUNDATION	\$49,249,829.00
49.	Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Canada / La Tour de Garde Société de Bibles et de Tracts du Canada	\$47,584,714.00
50.	UNITED WAY OF CALGARY AND AREA	\$47,331,042.00
51.	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL OF GREATER TORONTO	\$45,786,652.00
52.	Jewish Community Foundation of Montreal / La Fondation Communautaire Juive de Montréal	\$43,922,385.00
53.	THE ROGERS FOUNDATION	\$41,022,347.00

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54.	BRITISH COLUMBIA'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$40,765,967.00
55.	BEEDIE LUMINARIES FOUNDATION	\$40,523,750.00
56.	JUNE AND IAN COCKWELL PRIVATE FOUNDATION	\$39,957,677.00
57.	VGH & UBC HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$39,047,075.00
58.	THE WAR AMPUTATIONS OF CANADA	\$37,785,629.00
59.	Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto	\$37,751,248.00
60.	THE CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS OF VANCOUVER ARCHDIOCESE	\$37,557,249.00
61.	BC CANCER FOUNDATION	\$37,401,469.00
62.	CONAM CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	\$36,775,183.00
63.	UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	\$36,104,000.00
64.	STRATEGIC CHARITABLE GIVING FOUNDATION	\$35,162,991.00
65.	THE GERALD SCHWARTZ & HEATHER REISMAN FOUNDATION	\$34,652,207.00
66.	ISLAMIC RELIEF - IR CANADA	\$33,646,086.00
67.	UHN FOUNDATION	\$32,835,690.00
68.	MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF CANADA / SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE LA SCLÉROSE EN PLAQUES	\$32,467,752.00
69.	CENTRE FOR ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH FOUNDATION	\$31,663,135.00
70.	THE PETER GILGAN FOUNDATION	\$31,500,000.00
71.	THE JAY AND BARBARA HENNICK FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$30,421,560.00
72.	James A. Burton and Family Foundation	\$30,249,872.00
73.	UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS FOUNDATION	\$30,220,661.00
74.	Somers Family Foundation	\$29,999,619.00
75.	SUNNYBROOK HEALTH SCIENCES CENTRE FOUNDATION	\$29,714,658.00

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76.	VANCOUVER FOUNDATION	\$29,594,182.00
77.	THE SCHULICH FOUNDATION	\$29,332,500.00
78.	QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY AT KINGSTON	\$29,249,229.00
79.	BROOKFIELD PARTNERS FOUNDATION	\$27,614,000.00
80.	Chalice (Canada)	\$27,598,597.00
81.	UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN	\$26,757,909.00
82.	Health Partners International of Canada / Partenaires canadiens pour la santé internationale	\$26,239,900.00
83.	THE NATURE CONSERVANCY OF CANADA/LA SOCIETE CANADIENNE POUR LA CONSERVATION DE LA NATURE	\$26,116,635.00
84.	THE FREEBURNE BANTING FOUNDATION	\$26,056,396.00
85.	CANADIAN UNICEF COMMITTEE/COMITE UNICEF CANADA	\$25,876,353.00
86.	The Great Commission Foundation	\$25,834,290.00
87.	PayPal Giving Fund Canada	\$25,649,957.00
88.	THE MICHAEL AND SONJA KOERNER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	\$23,951,605.00
89.	THE DAVID HOFSTEDTER FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$23,592,575.00
90.	UNITED WAY OF WINNIPEG	\$23,511,669.00
91.	MCMASTER UNIVERSITY	\$23,270,581.00
92.	POWER TO CHANGE MINISTRIES	\$23,100,218.00
93.	AHMADIYYA MUSLIM JAMA'AT CANADA INC.	\$23,024,884.00
94.	UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH	\$22,776,483.00
95.	CHILDREN BELIEVE FUND	\$22,728,716.00
96.	UNION GOSPEL MISSION	\$22,169,008.00
97.	THE GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA	\$22,072,000.00

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98.	Cidel Foundation	\$21,806,252.00
99.	ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$21,667,347.00
100.	BEEDIE FOUNDATION	\$21,014,196.00
101.	THE SITKA FOUNDATION	\$20,819,000.00
102.	THE SIR MORTIMER B. DAVIS JEWISH GENERAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION / FONDATION DE L'HOPITAL GENERAL JUIF SIR MORTIMER DAVIS	\$20,799,520.00
103.	FEDERATION CJA	\$20,685,786.00
104.	COVENANT HOUSE TORONTO	\$20,658,533.00
105.	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION/ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DU DIABETE	\$20,569,913.00
106.	Fondation CHU Sainte-Justine / Sainte-Justine UHC Foundation	\$20,522,427.00
107.	UNITED WAY EAST ONTARIO / CENTRAIDE EST DE L'ONTARIO	\$20,398,267.00
108.	Nicola Wealth Private Giving Foundation	\$20,379,577.00
109.	SUNCOR ENERGY FOUNDATION/FONDATION SUNCOR ENERGIE	\$20,255,000.00
110.	THE JOSEPH LEBOVIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	\$20,195,482.00
111.	WCPD FOUNDATION	\$20,125,687.00
112.	BRITISH COLUMBIA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	\$19,991,210.00
113.	BROADFOOT FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$19,950,000.00
114.	THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA	\$19,949,797.00
115.	THE KIDNEY FOUNDATION OF CANADA / LA FONDATION CANADIENNE DU REIN	\$19,885,849.00
116.	SOCIÉTÉ DE RECHERCHE SUR LE CANCER/CANCER RESEARCH SOCIETY	\$19,706,094.00
117.	THE SAMARITAN'S PURSE - CANADA	\$19,428,749.00
118.	ALBERTA CANCER FOUNDATION	\$19,087,736.00
119.	MCGRATH FAMILY FOUNDATION INCORPORATED	\$19,024,774.00

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120.	The Canadian National Institute For The Blind - L'Institut national canadien pour les aveugles	\$18,194,186.00
121.	THE PAUL MYERS FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$18,000,000.00
122.	Université de Montréal	\$17,920,135.00
123.	UNITED WAY OF THE LOWER MAINLAND	\$17,857,132.00
124.	THE TORONTO SYMPHONY	\$17,833,788.00
125.	FRIENDS OF SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES	\$17,717,580.00
126.	APRIL 1 FOUNDATION	\$17,632,763.00
127.	ART GALLERY OF ONTARIO	\$17,440,663.00
128.	CANADIAN NATIONAL CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION	\$17,406,898.00
129.	CHARITIES AID FOUNDATION CANADA	\$17,385,531.00
130.	ALBERTA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$17,168,143.00
131.	The Bensadoun Family Foundation La fondation de la famille Bensadoun	\$17,070,000.00
132.	MOVEMBER CANADA	\$17,066,320.00
133.	Centre Street Church	\$16,484,012.00
134.	JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER VANCOUVER	\$16,330,840.00
135.	ST. PAUL'S FOUNDATION OF VANCOUVER	\$15,986,816.00
136.	MILAN & MAUREEN ILICH FOUNDATION	\$15,705,000.00
137.	COVENANT HOUSE VANCOUVER	\$15,644,166.00
138.	HEITNER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	\$15,366,576.00
139.	LIONS GATE HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$15,355,681.00
140.	Fondation Famille Jules Dallaire	\$15,307,445.00
141.	THE OTTAWA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$15,189,227.00

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142.	United Way of the Alberta Capital Region	\$15,048,319.00
143.	THE ARTHRITIS SOCIETY - LA SOCIETE D'ARTHRITE	\$14,989,586.00
144.	FONDATION JANINE BOMBARDIER	\$14,860,000.00
145.	THE TERRY FOX FOUNDATION	\$14,822,851.00
146.	WORLD WILDLIFE FUND CANADA FONDS MONDIAL POUR LA NATURE CANADA	\$14,364,580.00
147.	Fondation du Centre Universitaire de Santé McGill McGill University Health Centre Foundation	\$14,282,992.00
148.	DIAMOND FOUNDATION	\$14,050,000.00
149.	TORONTO FOUNDATION	\$13,905,342.00
150.	TEMERTY FOUNDATION	\$13,887,000.00
151.	AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL CANADIAN SECTION (ENGLISH SPEAKING)	\$13,793,312.00
152.	CANADIAN WILDLIFE FEDERATION/FÉDÉRATION CANADIENNE DE LA FAUNE	\$13,788,000.00
153.	UNIVERSITE CONCORDIA	\$13,337,673.00
154.	JOHN AND MYRNA DANIELS FOUNDATION	\$13,330,049.00
155.	THE BATA SHOE MUSEUM FOUNDATION / FONDATION MUSÉE DE LA CHAUSSURE BATA	\$13,293,306.00
156.	JAMES FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$13,195,000.00
157.	HOPE AND HEALING INTERNATIONAL	\$13,103,442.00
158.	La Fondation de l'Université Laval	\$13,058,359.00
159.	PAUL BRONFMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$13,000,000.00
160.	SHOCK TRAUMA AIR RESCUE SERVICE FOUNDATION	\$12,963,248.00
161.	UTS FOUNDATION	\$12,918,144.00
162.	LONDON HEALTH SCIENCES FOUNDATION	\$12,792,094.00
163.	THE CHILDREN'S WISH FOUNDATION OF CANADA/LA FONDATION CANADIENNE REVES D'ENFANTS	\$12,783,102.00

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164.	UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK	\$12,705,986.00
165.	Teen Challenge Canada Inc.	\$12,534,099.00
166.	ANNE & MAX TANENBAUM COMMUNITY HEBREW ACADEMY OF TORONTO	\$12,508,673.00
167.	RAYMOND JAMES CANADA FOUNDATION	\$12,483,392.00
168.	La fondation de l'hôpital de montréal pour enfants/The Montréal Children's Hospital Foundation	\$12,462,128.00
169.	SINAI HEALTH SYSTEM FOUNDATION	\$12,231,552.00
170.	La Fondation du Grand Montréal - The Foundation of Greater Montreal	\$12,153,270.00
171.	FELSEN FOUNDATION	\$12,152,000.00
172.	JANZEN FAMILY FOUNDATION INC.	\$12,120,000.00
173.	THE EDMONTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PRIV ACT	\$12,044,625.00
174.	THE FRIEDMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION/LA FONDATION FAMILIALE FRIEDMAN	\$12,042,238.00
175.	NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHAI'S OF CANADA	\$12,012,861.00
176.	THE CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE	\$11,928,682.00
177.	ONTARIO SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	\$11,873,714.00
178.	Hodgson Family Foundation	\$11,858,719.00
179.	BIALIK HEBREW DAY SCHOOL	\$11,837,180.00
180.	PATHY FAMILY FOUNDATION/FONDATION DE LA FAMILLE PATHY	\$11,779,100.00
181.	Ottawa Community Foundation / Fondation Communautaire d'Ottawa	\$11,726,823.00
182.	THE DONKERVLIET FOUNDATION	\$11,709,174.00
183.	AUDAIN FOUNDATION	\$11,696,475.00
184.	Judy and Wilmot Matthews Foundation	\$11,642,473.00
185.	FONDATION DU CENTRE HOSPITALIER DE L'UNIVERSITE DE MONTREAL	\$11,636,006.00

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186.	REDEMPTION MINISTRIES INC. - LES MINISTERES REDEMPTION INC.	\$11,611,345.00
187.	UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO	\$11,430,286.00
188.	PEACE ARCH HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION	\$11,130,000.00
189.	THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO	\$11,119,427.00
190.	VILLAGE CHURCH BC SOCIETY	\$11,069,121.00
191.	FRANK AND ELLEN REMAI FOUNDATION INC.	\$11,002,249.00
192.	The Heather Sheehan Foundation	\$11,000,000.00
193.	MIRIAM AND LARRY ROBBINS FOUNDATION	\$10,914,278.00
194.	THE JURAVINSKI FOUNDATION	\$10,837,914.00
195.	PEOPLES MINISTRIES INC.	\$10,829,975.00
196.	Centraide Québec, Chaudière-Appalaches et Bas-Saint laurent	\$10,727,432.00
197.	ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF CANADA - SOCIETE ALZHEIMER DU CANADA	\$10,662,819.00
198.	The Brian and Joannah Lawson Family Foundation	\$10,561,500.00
199.	THE MEETING HOUSE CHURCH FAMILY	\$10,556,408.00
200.	FONDATION CHAMANDY	\$10,385,399.00
201.	JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION CANADA / FONDATION DE LA RECHERCHE SUR LE DIABETE JUVENILE CANADA	\$10,367,329.00
202.	POOLER CHARITABLE FUND	\$10,361,402.00
203.	NORTHVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH	\$10,361,072.00
204.	THE VICTORIA FOUNDATION	\$10,318,440.00
205.	The Mireille and Murray Steinberg Family Foundation/La Fondation de la Famille Mireille et Muuray Steinberg	\$10,288,419.00
206.	LINK CHARITY CANADA INC	\$10,285,460.00
207.	THE PIERRE LASSONDE FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$10,284,800.00

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208.	FONDATION K.M.P. FOLLA	\$10,284,101.00
209.	JOSEPH BRANT HOSPITAL FOUNDATION	\$10,273,499.00
210.	Robert Gannicott Foundation	\$10,200,000.00
211.	MAHARAM TAV FUND	\$10,125,304.00
212.	THE MURPHY FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$10,033,706.00
213.	ISLAMIC CIRCLE OF NORTH AMERICA	\$10,032,097.00
214.	HOPE MISSION	\$10,013,094.00
215.	CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION ONTARIO DIVISION	\$10,010,247.00
216.	THE JIM PATTISON FOUNDATION	\$10,001,274.00
217.	THE BICKLE-WILDER FOUNDATION	\$10,000,000.00
218.	RSM LEGACY FOUNDATION	\$10,000,000.00

Limitations and Caveats

There are a number of cautions in dealing with the information from the T3010. You can access the CRA Charities Listing database directly on the CRA website at:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/charities-giving/list-charities/list-charities-other-qualified-donees.html>. As well, Blumbergs also maintains Canada's largest charity information portal at www.CharityData.ca with up to 17 years information on every Canadian registered charity. The portal is free and the aim is to increase transparency in the Canadian charity sector. With CRA removing recently over 10 years' worth of information from the Charities Listing, www.CharityData.ca has far more years available

- 1) The data in this note is based on the 2019 T3010 Registered Charity Information Return filings. Although all charities are supposed to file their T3010 within 6 months of their fiscal year end, some charities file late or do not file at all and then will lose their charitable status. Depending on the data set from CRA, not every charity may have filed their T3010 or been inputted yet.
- 2) Registered charities complete the T3010 and one person signs the form. The T3010 information is not independently verified by CRA when it is posted on the CRA site or placed in the CRA database.

3) Although an important legal document, the T3010 is often completed by volunteers or others who may have little understanding of the nuances of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), limited language skills, may not have easy access to the correct information or are in a hurry to file the form to avoid deregistration. In the case of larger institutions, it is typically accountants or finance staff who prepare the T3010. One would expect greater accuracy with the larger institutions. However, as they also tend to be more complicated and involve bigger numbers, the likelihood of a significant inaccuracy in their T3010 filings is great.

4) The T3010s are filed with CRA and in many cases needs to be coded by hand at CRA which can also introduce mistakes. Only a small number of T3010s have 2D bar code technology which can eliminate most processing errors on CRA's part. Canadian charities can as of June 2019 electronically file the T3010 which will hopefully reduce errors and speed up the process for T3010 data becoming available.

5) In some cases, those completing the T3010 for a charity are deliberately deceptive when completing the T3010. For example, an organization knows that it has substantial fundraising or political expenses but chooses to put them under charitable activities. Or an organization claims pharmaceuticals that it can purchase for \$50,000 are really worth \$50 million.

6) Don't rely on any of this information without checking with the charity and appropriate due diligence as required.

7) The T3010 is a tax form which is supposed to be completed according to guidance provided by the CRA in [Guide Completing the Registered Charity Information Return \(T-4033\)](#) and also various other CRA guidances and policies. The information inputted may not conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and often the numbers will not match what is in a financial statement. You can obtain copies of financial statements, whether audited or not, on any registered charity by requesting the financial statements from CRA. These financial statements are filed with CRA but not placed on the CRA website and they can sometimes add further information.

8) Some questions on the T3010 are more prone to error than others. Some questions are complicated, while others are quite straightforward. Some matters are easily quantifiable, like value of official donation receipts, while others require allocation and other subjective measurements. Some questions, like revenue, are answered by almost every charity and if a charity makes a mistake, the likelihood is that such a mistake will not have much impact on the bigger picture. On the other hand, some numbers like political expenditures (which are now no longer being asked about) were often incorrectly completed and even one or two charities by mistakenly inserting large numbers in this category can distort the picture. With the 2012 numbers, the top 6 organizations listing political expenditures appear to be all mistakes. This seems to have inflated the numbers by about 1000%. You can see my article [“Did the University of Windsor spend \\$285 million on political activities in 2012”](#). For the 2013 political numbers were \$171 million on the T3010. If one reviews the actual organizations, the number is probably about \$26 million. For 2017 the number is \$28 million. For 2018 the number is \$30 million.

9) The T3010 asks certain questions. Many [important questions](#) are not asked on the T3010. Relying on the T3010 to make decisions on whether a charity is efficient or worthwhile to support is prone to failure. We have established a website at www.smartgiving.ca which discusses in detail questions donors may want to ask before donating to charity.

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