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PROGRESSIVE YOUTH CONNECTION 2009 YOP TAX CREDITS

WHAT IS YOP?

YOP stands for Youth Opportunities Program, which is administered by the Missouri Department of Economic Development, and provides state tax credits for eligible contributions made to approved YOP projects. Progressive Youth Connection has been awarded these credits for our collaborative youth anger-management program **CHARACTERplus®-Count to Ten** in University City.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOP?

To broaden and strengthen opportunities for positive development and participation in community life for youth, and to discourage them from engaging in criminal and violent behavior.

WHAT WILL MY YOP CONTRIBUTION TO PROGRESSIVE YOUTH CONNECTION FUND?

Your donation helps fund our CHARACTERplus®-Count to Ten program in Barbara Jordan elementary school in University City. This collaboration, provides both students and educators the most comprehensive approach regarding character education and anger management.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any individual or business with a 2009 Missouri tax liability, making a donation by March 31, 2010 to a YOP approved project.

HOW WILL THE YOP TAX CREDITS BENEFIT ME?

Tax credits are 50% of the value of any eligible donation. For example, your donation of \$1,000 to PYC earns \$500 credit towards your 2009 Missouri state tax liability. (see below)

HOW CAN THE TAX CREDITS BE USED?

Donors have up to one year from the date of contribution to complete the application process, but have up to 5 years to use credits to offset state income tax liability (valid only in Missouri). Credits cannot exceed the donor's liability in the tax year it is claimed.

HOW CAN I BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR YOP TAX CREDITS?

- Make a contribution to PYC's CHARACTERplus®-Count to Ten program.
- Complete the application that accompanies your acknowledgement from PYC, and return it to us for verification and forwarding to YOP.
- File the simple MO-TC Form with your state income tax return (necessary information is included with the Missouri Department of Economic Development's approval notice. The MO-TC Form is also available for download at <http://www.dor.state.mo.us>.

Sample Estimated Out of Pocket Costs

(Results vary according to individual. For illustrative purposes only; please consult your tax advisor.)

\$1,000 CONTRIBUTION	(28% Federal/6% Missouri tax bracket)
Estimated Federal Tax Deduction	\$ 126.00
Estimated Missouri Tax Deduction	\$ 50.00
YOP Tax Savings	\$ 500.00
Total Estimated Out of Pocket Cost	\$ 314.00

Donate online at www.pyconline.com,
or by mail: Progressive Youth Connection, 9530 Watson Industrial Park, St. Louis, MO 63126

Questions? Please contact Melissa Kline at 314-963-8368 ext.202, or pycdevelopment@aol.com

NOTE: ALL YOP DONATIONS MUST BE SPECIFIED AS SUCH AT THE TIME OF CONTRIBUTION