

## 2009 Deduction for Haitian Earthquake Relief Donation

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President Obama recently signed into law legislation that allows taxpayers to get a 2009 income tax deduction for monetary gifts made to assist victims of the recent Haitian earthquake. The deduction is allowed for gifts to any charitable, section 501(c)(3) organization that commits to using the gift for Haitian earthquake relief.

In order to qualify for 2009 deductibility, the gift must be made before March 1, 2010. The cancelled check or gift receipt should make some reference to Haitian earthquake relief.

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