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What is the Matching Gift Program?

The Matching Gift Program is to encourage regular, full-time and part time employees, of Cingular Wireless to join in its financial support of improving our communities with donations.

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How do I participate in the Program?

Eligible organizations include

- accredited K-12 schools
- 2 or 4 year colleges and universities.
- Accredited schools operating within a hospital.
- Public radio/television stations operating through a university.
- Alumni organizations that are an alumni fund or other fund, foundation or association, that is an integral part of a college/university or that has been appropriately certified as an organization which transmits contributions to colleges or universities.
- Fraternities/Sororities with their own 501c3.
- Cultural, community development, environmental, health and medical organizations.

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How do I register a donation?

Gifts may be registered via the Internet. Gifts must be registered within 6 months from the date of the gift.
- Send your gift to the organization of your choice.
- Access and submit an application on the Internet using:
  http://www.givingprograms.com/cingular
- The Matching Gift Center will validate your eligibility and verify your gift with the organization.
- Once approved, the matching gift will be sent directly to the organization during the next scheduled distribution.

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Who is eligible to participate in the Program?

Review our Guidelines to determine eligible participants in our program.

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What types of organizations are eligible?

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How do I select an organization?

To identify your special organization, access **Gift Registration** processing. Select **Option 2/Step 2** for step-by-step instructions for identifying a non-profit organization. Click on the Matching Gift button to the left, then click register, and click on Step 2 to the right.

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When is my gift matched?

Gifts Registered	Awarded
Jan, Feb, Mar	First week of April
Apr, May, June	First week of July
July, Aug, Sept	First week of October
Oct, Nov, Dec	End of December

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How do I get a detailed history of my past gifts?

Once you have registered as a participant, you may log on to the home page for a detailed list of your Giving History.

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What are the minimum and maximum amounts per person?

The minimum gift amount is $25.00 per employee.
The employee has a maximum gift amount of $5,000 per calendar year.
The maximum payout to any one institution from all donors is $15,000 per calendar year.

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What is 501(c)(3)?

501(c)(3) is a section of the Federal Tax Code that establishes the criteria for tax-exempt charitable organizations. An organization must have this status in order to receive matching gift funds. This status allows donations to that organization to be tax-deductible.

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If my name changes, how do I update my profile?

You must contact your Human Resources department to make this type of change to your profile.

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If I need help, whom can I contact?

If you are in need of assistance to register a gift application, please access our Help Menu for step-by-step instructions.
Contact us at (888) 388-6282 or see the Contact Us section of this Website.

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What if I have a problem creating my User Name / ID?

Please contact the customer service representative for assistance at (888) 388-6282.

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