



Thanks to Tesla - Annual Fund Drive

To Benefit Tesla Science Center at Wardenclyffe
November 26, 2019 - January 7, 2020

WELCOME - Thanks to Tesla FAQ

What is Thanks to Tesla and why is it important?

Thanks to Tesla is Tesla Science Center at Wardenclyffe's Annual Fund Drive to support our mission: to establish a global center on the site of Nikola Tesla's only remaining laboratory that will preserve, restore, and advance Tesla's legacy of invention and perseverance through education and innovation.

We chose *Thanks to Tesla* for a name because it spotlights Tesla's many contributions to humanity. Every day, we benefit from technology invented by Tesla. Thanks to Tesla, we have wifi and remote control, radio, x-ray, fluorescent and neon lighting, the speedometer, and many other innovations. Thanks to Tesla, we also have the alternating current (AC) system that runs our modern power grid and virtually every electric device we use.

Thanks to Tesla is important because of our mission's far-reaching impact. Together, we can empower people through education and innovation in a way that transforms lives in the present and future.

How will the money we donate be used?

Our goal is to raise \$150,000. Your donation will be used to make a difference in the following ways:

- Education – Be part of developing innovative, experiential education that raises people up and provides opportunity for growth. Your donation will support STEAM-based learning experiences like Teslamania, Super Circuits elementary ed program, Tesla Tech Art camp, and more.
- STEAM Events & Exhibits – You'll help provide mind-expanding tech and history talks, exciting STEAM expos, thought-provoking presentations, Q&A sessions, and activities for all ages.
- Entrepreneurship – Business start-ups and fledgling STEM companies are in critical need of support. Help provide mentorship programs, work space, and resources for entrepreneurs who face the same challenges as Tesla faced.
- Renovations – Tesla's Wardenclyffe laboratory is a global landmark and we are proud to let you know that the money you raise will help transform this historic site into a center of excellence in education and innovation that empowers and inspires.

Visit <https://teslasciencecenter.org> to see renderings of the proposed TSCW site.

How can I help spread the word on social media about the Thanks to Tesla Annual Fund Drive?

- Talk about #thanks2tesla on your family and friends pages
- Share our Facebook posts – facebook.com/TeslaScienceCenter
- Follow us on Twitter – twitter.com/teslascience
- Instagram – teslasciencecenterwardenclyffe
- Share our social media channels in your organizational and personal social networks
- Announce and encourage participation in #thanks2tesla to your networks and email lists

How do I donate?

There are three easy ways to give.

1. Online: Visit our donation page at: <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/thanks-to-tesla>

2. Mail: Download our gift form and send it along with your payment information to:
Tesla Science Center at Wardenclyffe
PO Box 552
Shoreham, NY 11786

3. Phone: Call 631-886-2632 and a member of the TSCW team will assist you.

Is my donation fully tax deductible?

Tesla Science Center at Wardenclyffe (TSCW), incorporated as Friends of Science East, Inc., is a 501c3 not-for-profit, tax-exempt organization with Federal Tax ID 11-3327144. TSCW is registered to raise funds in all 50 States; however, registration does not imply endorsement. In keeping with Federal and State regulations regarding charitable donations, no goods or services are provided as a consideration of this donation. Furthermore, your donation is tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law and no funds from your contribution will be used for lobbying or in support of a candidate or party seeking elective office.

Can I make a gift of appreciated securities? Support TSCW and save on capital gains taxes.

YES! The gift of an asset, often common stock or mutual fund shares, is a valuable way to support our Thanks to Tesla Annual Fund Drive and you will receive tax benefits based on the value of the asset(s). By transferring securities to TSCW, you would not incur any capital gains and would be able to deduct the current value as a charitable gift. By donating the stock, you will receive a greater tax deduction by giving the stock directly to the TSCW and avoiding the capital gains tax. For more information about donating stock, please contact TSCW at (631) 886-2632.

I'm over 70 years age—can I give from my IRA?

YES! If you are 70½ or older, you may avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to our organization. You will satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year reducing your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions. Gifts from an IRA are not subject to the deduction limits on charitable gifts. You will need to contact your IRA plan administrator and your gift funds will be directly transferred to our organization. Please note that IRA charitable rollover gifts do not qualify for a charitable deduction. Please contact us if you have any questions about an IRA charitable rollover gift as we are happy to assist you and answer any questions you might have.

My company matches my gifts to 501(c)(3) organizations. Is Tesla Science Center at Wardencllyffe eligible to receive this type of match?

YES! Through corporate gift matching, your employer can multiply your gift to TSCW. Please ask your human resources department to provide you with a matching gift form to send to TSCW along with your donation. We will verify receipt of your gift and return the form to your company for matching funds.

Is it safe and secure for me to donate online?

In a word: yes. Crowdrise/GoFundMeCharity uses Secure Sockets Layer technology to encrypt all data submitted to and from our donations web page.

Who should I contact if I have a question or problem making my online donation?

Contact our Annual Fund Drive manager at 1-631-886-2632 or info@teslasciencecenter.org

Will TSCW rent, sell, or trade my personal information?

No. Please see our privacy policy on our website regarding how we use information collected on our site: <https://teslasciencecenter.org>