

## 2021-2022 Voluntary Contribution Change Form

# Choosing to Make a Difference

Working to promote policies to improve public education such as more funding for our public schools and smaller class sizes, as well as fighting back attacks on education, teachers and other education professionals is always a top priority for CTA.

In an effort to continue successfully fighting attacks on our union, CTA is asking members for a voluntary contribution of \$20 a year to help fund CTA advocacy efforts and to support the CTA Foundation for Teaching and Learning. (See back for a listing of Advocacy and CTA Foundation Activity.) This foundation will promote strength-based, teacher-driven solutions to improve public schools through the CTA Institute for Teaching. It will also support CTA's scholarship and grant program for members, their dependents and students.

The reverse-checkoff contribution is voluntary and flexible. Members are automatically enrolled in the default allocation of \$10 to support CTA advocacy efforts and \$10 to the CTA Foundation for Teaching and Learning. But no one is required to contribute and members have many contribution options. Please use the form below if you would like to make a change. There is NO NEED to complete and return this form if you want to keep the same contribution as last year.

The choice is yours.

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#### Mail to:

California Teachers Association Contribution Change PO Box 4178 Burlingame, CA 94011-4178

Requests for refunds received after the 1st of the month will be processed the following month. Requests for refunds or redirection must be received by Nov. 1st for continuous enrollment members. New enrollment members have 30 days from enrollment to request refund or redirection of contribution. Incomplete or late submissions will not be accepted. We are not responsible for lost or redirected mail and illegible entries.

Please keep a copy of this document for future reference.

# **2021-2022 Voluntary Contribution Allocations**

#### CTA Advocacy (\$10)

- Promoting policies to improve public education such as additional funding for our public schools, smaller class sizes in all grades, and affordable college for all students.
- Fighting back attacks on teachers and public schools, such as massive budget cuts, voucher programs, No Child Left Behind, and legislation to decrease education employees' pensions or attacking teachers' professional rights.
- None of the money can be spent on political candidates.

#### **CTA Foundation (\$10)**

### CTA Institute for Teaching

- The *Institute for Teaching* (IFT) works to support teaching and learning in California classrooms and promotes teacher leadership to ensure that our members have a voice in school improvement.
- The IFT's Grant Program funds strength-based, member-created projects from pre-K to Higher Education and over \$4.8 million in grants has been awarded to CTA members since 2010.
- The IFT seeks to promote our union as a vehicle for professional collaboration. The IFT's system of regional Teacher Think Tanks gives voice to excellent teacher practitioners in the work of our union.
- The IFT advocates for teacher-driven solutions to increase graduation rates, expand parental involvement, promote universal preschool and close achievement gaps.

For more information on the Institute for Teaching visit www.teacherdrivenchange.org.

#### CTA Scholarship, Grants, and Awards Programs

- CTA Disaster Relief Program Provides grants to CTA members if their home or classroom has been damaged or destroyed by a disaster.
- CTA Scholarship Program provides scholarships in the following categories:
  - CTA members who are continuing their education
  - Dependent children of active CTA members who are enrolled in institutions of higher education
  - Student CTA members who are getting their degrees or credentials in education
- Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Scholarship Program provides scholarships to encourage ethnic minority students to become educators, school nurses, school counselors or school therapists and to promote professional growth for ethnic minority teachers and ESP members.
- César E. Chávez and Dolores Huerta Education Award Program provides recognition for educators and their students who demonstrate an understanding of the vision and guiding principles of civil rights and union leaders César Chávez and Dolores Huerta.
- LGBTQ+ Safety in Schools Grant and Scholarship Program in Honor of Guy DeRosa provides grants and scholarships to promote human and civil rights by making our public schools safe for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning+ persons.

For more information: www.cta.org/scholarships.