

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year: Opportunities for Year-End Giving

What a strange year this has been! But how lucky we are to have tennis and pickleball available for both recreation and social connection during this pandemic. If you feel the same way and wish to support the Steamboat Tennis & Pickleball Center, you can choose to donate to the new Pickleball Center only, to the Tennis Center only, for unrestricted use towards either facility, or to the Maintenance Endowment benefiting both.

Please consider making a year-end gift to Court Sports 4 Life, a 501c3 non-profit, directed towards any or all of the three separate capital campaign initiatives. And don't forget, you'll avoid capital gains taxes by donating long-term appreciated securities.

Thank you!

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Court Sports 4 Life Capital Campaign Chair

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN INITIATIVES

1) New Pickleball Center

We seek to raise \$6 million to build a dedicated pickleball facility with 12 indoor courts to combine with the existing 8 outdoor courts for a truly unique Tennis & Pickleball Complex that complements the ski mountain and all that Steamboat has to offer year-round. We will not require pledge payments until we reach the 50% milestone (we currently have over \$1.1M in commitments) but if it aligns with your year-end tax planning to make a donation now, we would be most grateful!



Ways to give:

- Online – You can donate online through the [Court Sports 4 Life website](https://www.courtsports4life.org) anytime; check the #GivingTuesday box on the form if you'd like us to wait until December 1st to process your donation.
- By check – You may drop off a check at the Center or mail to the Center (PO Box 776251, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477). Please make the check out to "Court Sports 4 Life" and note "#GivingTuesday" on the memo line if you'd like us to deposit it on or around December 1st.

2) Future Capital Improvements to the Tennis Center

As part of the capital campaign, we are building a Capital Fund specifically for future improvements to the Tennis Center. This will include renovation of the “front of house” as well as eventual resurfacing of the indoor courts and replacement of the exterior fabric when needed. You may restrict a capital campaign donation (or pledge, for that matter) specifically for this purpose.



Ways to give:

- Online – You can donate online through the [Court Sports 4 Life website](#) anytime. If you wish to direct your gift, just choose “Tennis Center” on the Pledge Form or Donation Form.
- By check – You may drop off a check at the Center or mail to the Center (PO Box 776251, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477). Please make the check out to “Court Sports 4 Life” and note “Tennis Center” and/or #GivingTuesday on the memo line, if you’d like.

3) “Serve It Forward” Maintenance Endowment –

Facility maintenance isn't sexy, but it's SO essential in order for the Tennis & Pickleball Center to continue to serve our community. Each year, the Center may withdraw a small percentage from this endowment held at the Yampa Valley Community Foundation if approved by a committee representing the Center, STA, SSPA, CS4L, and the City. In 2020, the funds were used to help pay for repairing outdoor tennis courts #9, 10, 11 and 12. Thank you for helping to preserve the Center for generations to come!



Ways to give:

- #Giving Tuesday – You can donate online through [YVCF](#) anytime or on #GivingTuesday, December 1st.
- #ColoradoGives – You can donate online immediately or schedule your donation in advance for [Colorado Gives Day](#), December 8th.
- By check – You may drop off a check at the Center or mail to YVCF (PO Box 881869, Steamboat Springs, CO 80488). Please make the check out to “YVCF Tennis & Pickleball Endowment”.

BREAKING NEWS! The Steamboat Tennis Association (STA) and the Steamboat Springs Pickleball Association (SSPA) have issued a challenge match: together, they’ll match the first \$10,000 donated to the Endowment before 12/31/20. *Your donation just doubled in value so please act now!*

FYI, there are special tax incentives available only for 2020

Please check with your tax advisor to see if you can take advantage of the enhanced charitable giving incentives included in the CARES Act, available for 2020 only –

- Temporary Universal Charitable Deduction – For households that do not itemize, a one-time deduction of up to \$300 is available for cash gifts made to 501(c)(3) non-profits like Court Sports 4 Life.
- Suspension of the 60% adjusted gross income (AGI) limitation – For households that do itemize, there is no AGI percentage limit in 2020 on deductions for charitable contributions.
- Corporate gifts – The limit on how much corporations may deduct for charitable contributions is temporarily increased from 10% of taxable income to 25% for 2020.

In addition, please consider making a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from your IRA, which is excluded from your taxable income if you are at least age 70½ at the time you request a QCD. Be sure to request that your IRA custodian issue a check from your IRA payable to Court Sports 4 Life, *not to you!* Again, please consult a tax advisor to see if a QCD makes sense for you.

Last, do you shop on Amazon?

If you do, there's an easy way to support us – instead of shopping through amazon.com, use smile.amazon.com for the AmazonSmile program to direct 0.5% of your purchases to us. It takes a few minutes to set up the first time, and about 5 seconds to use from then on!

Here's how to get started –

Step 1: Go To smile.amazon.com

Step 2: Click on GET STARTED



And enter your Amazon password

Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com

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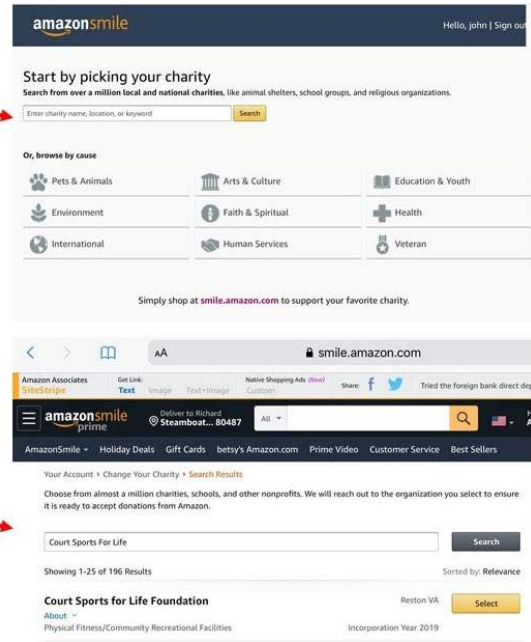
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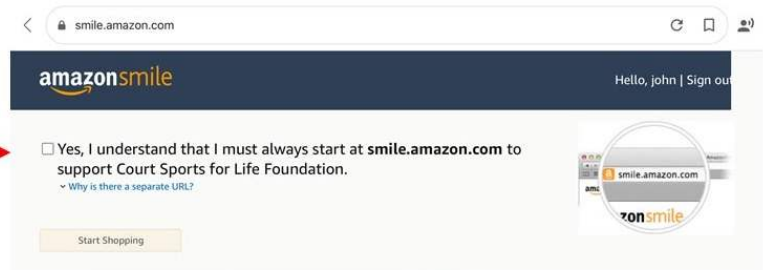
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You should see us listed
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TIP: Do not enter Court Sports 4 Life- you will not find us!

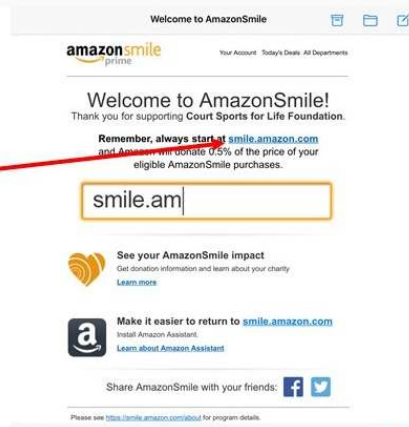


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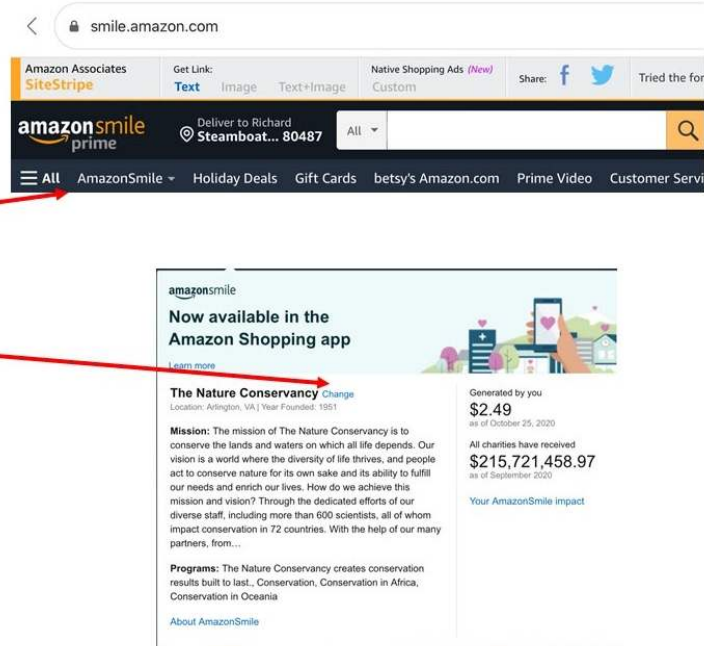
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And click on CHANGE
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VOILE^ it's been changed!

Our thanks to you!



BUT WHAT IF YOU SHOP ON YOUR PHONE OR TABLET?

Here's how to activate AmazonSmile through the Amazon app –

- Step 1:** Join AmazonSmile if you haven't already. Sign up at smile.amazon.com using a web browser, *not the app*.
- Step 2:** If you don't have the app on your phone or tablet, download it from the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).
- Step 3:** Open Settings within the app by tapping the three horizontal lines (the “hamburger”) at the top left, then tapping “Settings.”
- Step 4:** Tap “AmazonSmile” then tap on “Turn on AmazonSmile”. Follow the directions (including turning on Notifications) and you're done!

From now on, when you shop on the Amazon app, you'll see “AmazonSmile” at the top left to let you know you're helping us out as you shop.

Thank you for your support!