

## PAYROLL GIVING

**The pundits tell us that the payroll giving legislation is only days away from enactment. Payroll giving will allow willing employers and willing employees to make regular donations to charity before tax. The key advantage to employees is that they get an immediate tax break rather than having to collect receipts and claim at the end of the year. Employee donations are limited only by the amount of their paypacket.**

**Charities have to have donee status from the IRD to qualify. This is different from registration with the Charities Commission. A list of organisations eligible is on the IRD website – double check that you are on it!**

**Once the legislation is in place you should make reference to payroll giving as an option in any communications you have with the business sector and you should invite your own employees to participate in your own scheme. If you are a volunteer, talk to your employer about starting a scheme in your workplace.**