

# Ways to Give

Great giving options just for you.



**OUTRIGHT GIFT.** Make a gift today with cash, stocks, bonds or other assets to the Community Foundation. Your charitable gift may qualify for attractive tax advantages.

**ESTATE / WILL DESIGNATIONS.** Naming the Community Foundation as a beneficiary in your Will is a simple way to make a lasting gift to your community. You can leave a gift to an existing fund or create your own. Speak to your professional advisor about your particular situation and work with our professional staff to make sure your charitable giving is carried out for many years to come.

**REAL ESTATE.** Making a charitable gift of real estate through the Community Foundation can help you turn your property gains into community good. The value of your real estate may exceed that of any other asset you own. With the help of the Community Foundation, you can use it to fulfill your charitable wishes and receive maximum tax benefits.

**RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS.** Double taxation on retirement accounts withdrawals decreases their value for your heirs. Consider providing other assets to heirs and naming the Community Foundation as the beneficiary of your retirement accounts. You can save taxes and preserve your hard-earned assets for the good of your community.

**LIFE INSURANCE.** Life insurance policies can be used as charitable gifts. If you name the Community Foundation as the owner and beneficiary of an existing or new life insurance policy, you receive an immediate tax deduction, which usually approximates the cash surrender value of the policy. All premium payments made by you thereafter will be deductible as a charitable contribution. You can then work with the Community Foundation to determine how the proceeds of your insurance policy can be used for charitable endeavors in your areas of community interest.

**TRUSTS AND OTHER GIVING VEHICLES.** If you have questions about Charitable Gift Annuities, Charitable Remainder Trusts, Charitable Lead Trusts, or other giving vehicles, please call us – we would be happy to discuss them with you.

**GIFT OF GRAIN.** By giving a gift of grain, you avoid including the sale of the grain in your farm income. Deducting the cost of growing the crops typically results in saving self-employment, federal, and state income tax. And you can still benefit even if you take the standard deduction rather than itemizing your deductions.



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