

Planned Giving

What to Give

Look below to learn more about the assets most commonly used to fund a gift.

Cash

Making a donation of cash is as simple as writing a check or authorizing a charge on your credit card. From your standpoint, it's no fuss, no bother. Find out how A Community of Friends can put your contribution to work without delay.

Securities

Stock that has increased in value is one of the most popular assets used for charitable giving, once it has been held for a minimum of a year. Making a gift of securities to us offers you the chance to help our organization while realizing many important benefits for yourself.

Life Insurance

Donating your life insurance could be a wonderful way to fulfill your desire to support our work. By making A Community of Friends the direct or contingent beneficiary of an existing policy, you make good use of your resources and expand your ability to make a significant gift.

Retirement Plan Assets

If you're like many Americans, your financial future will likely revolve around your retirement plan assets. To maximize the value of a retirement account, consider making a lifetime gift of its after-tax value to a tax-exempt deferred giving plan.

Savings Bonds

Savings bonds—likely the nation's most widely held appreciated asset—represent major assets that may have stopped growing and are now collecting dust, just waiting to be put to use. A tax-wise use for your appreciated savings bonds is to support a cause you care about.

Real Estate

Using real estate, such as your house, farm or commercial property, to fund a gift allows you to preserve your cash assets, receive significant tax and income advantages, and make a larger charitable gift than anticipated.

Ways to Give

There are almost as many variations on ways to make a donation as there are needs to be met. Explore this section to discover new ways to make a gift that also take into consideration your personal circumstances and the needs of your heirs.

Bequests

Learn how to help others and us by using one of the most popular and simplest ways to make a gift.

Charitable Gift Annuities

Read more about how to make a donation and, in turn, receive a fixed annuity payment each year for life.

Charitable Remainder Trusts

In the right circumstances, this plan can increase your income, reduce your taxes, unlock appreciated investments, rid you of investment worries and ultimately provide very important support.

Memorials and Endowments

Discover a powerful way to make a gift to us in your name or in the name of a loved one while realizing tax benefits for your kindness.

Give My Home, But Live There for Life

Make a gift to A Community of Friends of a remainder interest in your home, receive sizable tax benefits now and continue living in your home for the rest of your life.

Donor Advised Funds

Access the giving power of a private foundation without the expense or complexity.

Charitable Lead Trusts

Make a donation now while reducing the tax burden for your heirs in the future.

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