

## Summary of Planned Gift Opportunities

The summaries below are intended to aid in general discussion of several charitable gift opportunities, and are not intended to provide a comprehensive presentation of any opportunities described.

The financial effect and tax benefit of each of the opportunities described are based on a number of important factors including the donor's circumstances and intent, and the nature of the asset(s) involved.

Every donor is advised to have his/her own legal/tax counsel involved in any final determination of a charitable gift described below.

### Charitable Remainder Trust

- For a donor who would like an immediate tax deduction, reduce estate taxes, eliminate capital gains tax, and increase income from asset(s).
  - Donor deposits asset(s) in trust and receives a tax benefit
  - Donor receives income for a specified period of time, and at his/her death the remainder of the trust balance is distributed to the charity
  - Charity may consider purchasing long term care for the donor to prevent loss of trust property

### Charitable Lead Trust

- For a donor who wishes to leave something to children and grandchildren, and minimize estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes.
  - Donor deposit asset(s) in trust and receives a tax benefit
  - Charity receives income for a specified period of time, and at donor death the remainder is distributed to designated heirs.

### Life Insurance Policies

- Donors may wish to name a charity as residuary or contingent beneficiary, with possible estate tax benefit
- Donors may wish to donate a paid-up life insurance policy with possible income tax benefits

### Appreciated Property

- Real property with appreciated value can be contributed with a tax deduction of 100% of the fair market value, and avoidance of capital gains tax.

## **Bequest**

- While a bequest under a will is not recorded as a gift until the gift is irrevocable, this is a thoughtful gift intention, and can avoid estate taxes.

## **IRA**

- For a donor who has accumulated significant funds in his/her IRA account, and will not require distributions in retirement.
  - Donor contributes all or portion of IRA funds, avoids income tax and receives a tax benefit.