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Life Income Gifts as Retirement Income

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Charitable gift annuity

- A contract between a non-charitable beneficiary and a charity. The charity, in return for a transfer of assets, agrees to pay a fixed amount of money to one or two donors for life, not a term of years. Assets pass to charity upon the death of the donor or donors.

- Governed by the states with rates suggested by the American Council on Gift Annuities (www.acga-web.org)

- The payout is based upon the age of the donor(s) and remains the same for the life of the contract. Generally not offered to donors younger than age 60. The fixed payment is not inflation protected but is frequently higher than payments from other fixed investments.
CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST ("CRT")

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- Irrevocable trust funded with a gift of cash or property
- Donor (and/or another non-charitable beneficiary) retains the right to an income stream of either a fixed amount, Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust ("CRAT"), or a fixed percentage, Charitable Remainder Unitrust ("CRUT")
- Income interest must be at least 5% and no more than 50% of the value of the trust
- Income paid for a specified number of years (no more than 20) or life
- May provide donor with an immediate income tax deduction
- May permit asset sale without any immediate capital gains tax
- The actuarial value of the charity’s remainder interest at the time of creation must be at least 10% of the CRT’s fair market value
- At the end of the trust term, the qualified charity specified in the trust document receives the property in the trust and any appreciation (donor may retain a power to change charitable beneficiaries)

Source: Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") Section 664
CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST ("CRT")

**Lifetime**
- Potential cash flow increase
- Investment diversification
- Potential income tax deduction
- Potential gift tax deduction
- May defer/avoid capital gains tax

**After Death**
- Cash flow
- Potential estate tax deduction
- May defer/avoid income tax on IRA-type assets
CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST (CRT) TAXATION

Tax Exempt Entity

- Ability to sell highly appreciated assets without current taxation to donor
  - Highly appreciated stock
  - Highly appreciated property

Four Tiered Tax on Distributions

- Ordinary income
- Capital gains
- Tax exempt income
- Return of basis/principal

The amounts received are treated as ordinary income until all of the CRT’s ordinary income for the year of the distribution and undistributed ordinary income for prior years has been distributed. After all of the ordinary income has been distributed, capital gains are distributed, followed by other (including tax exempt) income, and finally principal. Internal Revenue Code § 664(b); Treasury Regulation § 1.664-1(d).
CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST (CRT)

Step 1: Property is contributed to the CRT by the donor.

Step 2: The donor retains the right to an income stream from the trust of either a fixed percentage (charitable remainder unitrust) or a fixed amount (charitable remainder annuity trust).\(^1\)

Step 3: Part of the money from the income stream can be gifted to a wealth replacement trust (WRT) which purchases life insurance on the donor (gift taxes may apply).\(^2\)

Note: Donor receives an income tax deduction based upon the value of the remainder interest in the trust that will eventually go to charity at the end of the income stream (either upon death or upon the expiration of a term of years not to exceed 20).

Step 4: Upon the death of the donor or the expiration of the term of the trust, the property left in the charitable remainder trust will pass to the charitable beneficiary. (Donor may retain a power to change charitable beneficiaries during the trust term)

Step 5: Upon the death of the donor, life insurance proceeds are paid to the wealth replacement trust for the benefit of heirs estate and income tax free.

1. 26 USC 664(d)(1) and (d)(2)
2. 26 USC 2501(a)(1) and 26 USC 2503(b)(1)
WHO MIGHT BE A CRT CANDIDATE?

A Suitable Candidate May Be Someone Who Has:

- Philanthropic intent
- Highly appreciated assets
- Concern regarding current and future taxes
- Concentrated wealth desiring greater diversification
- Non-income producing assets that wants lifetime income
- Entered the preservation stage of their life
- Large retirement account/IRA in second marriage
CRT CONCLUSION

Possible Advantages:
- Charitable gift
- Donor receives cash flow for life or term of years
- Potential immediate income tax deduction for donor
- May minimize the impact of capital gains, gift and estate taxes
- Ability to diversify a concentrated position

Possible Disadvantages:
- Trust is irrevocable
- Terms of trust can not be changed (donor may retain a power to change charitable beneficiaries during the trust term)
- Assets passing to charity do not pass to heirs
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