Ways to Give

The Community Foundation offers a wide range of giving options that you can use to establish or add to a named charitable fund. Since we are recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a public charity, donors are provided with the maximum tax benefits allowed by law. Once your fund is established you can add to it any time, and in any dollar amount. We are happy to talk with you, and your financial advisor if you choose, about these opportunities in person.

Cash Gifts

A gift of cash, check or money order is the simplest way to establish a named fund or add to an existing fund. You can also make a secure contribution using your credit card on our website (www.cfrichmond.org). Cash gifts are fully deductible up to 50 percent of the donor’s adjusted gross income in any one year. Deduction amounts exceeding this limit may be carried forward for up to five additional years.

Non-Cash Gifts

The Community Foundation has the experience and technical expertise to accept any appropriate asset as a charitable contribution. In addition to cash, you may also make non-cash gifts including the following:

- Appreciated securities
- Gifts of real estate
- Life insurance
- Privately held stock
- Interest in limited partnerships

Planned Gifts

Many donors choose to leave charitable assets upon their death. You can gift a portion of your estate through your will, or designate the Community Foundation as beneficiary of one of the following:

- IRAs and other retirement plans
- Life insurance
- Proceeds from the sale of a house

Life Income Plans

Certain planned gifts provide a simple way for you to support your favorite causes or charities, while generating income for life for you or other family members. The Community Foundation can work with you and your advisor on any of the following:

- Charitable Remainder Trust
- Charitable Lead Trust
- Charitable Gift Annuity

Private Foundation

The board of a private foundation may transfer its assets to the Community Foundation to establish a donor advised fund or supporting organization. The Fund will perpetuate the private foundation’s name and philanthropic goals with no tax or penalty on the transfer. For more information, see Options for Private Foundations.

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