

**Q. Is a gift annuity included as part of my estate?**

**A.** As a rule, it is not. If your annuity payment is made to you or your spouse, your estate will not have estate taxes on the charitable gift portion of your donation. However, there may be some gift or estate tax due if payments are made to someone other than a spouse.

**Q. How can I begin a gift annuity?**

**A.** A gift annuity agreement is quite simple. Contact us for an exact illustration of the benefits you will receive.

**Sample Gift Annuity Rates\***

Age	% Rate	Age	% Rate
65	6.0	78	7.6
66	6.1	79	7.8
67	6.2	80	8.0
68	6.3	81	8.3
69	6.4	82	8.5
70	6.5	83	8.8
71	6.6	84	9.2
72	6.7	85	9.5
73	6.8	86	9.9
74	6.9	87	10.2
75	7.1	88	10.6
76	7.2	89	11.0
77	7.4	90+	11.3

\* For illustrative purposes only. Please contact us for exact benefits to you or for rates for two persons if desired. We recommend that you discuss your plans with your professional advisors as well as with us.

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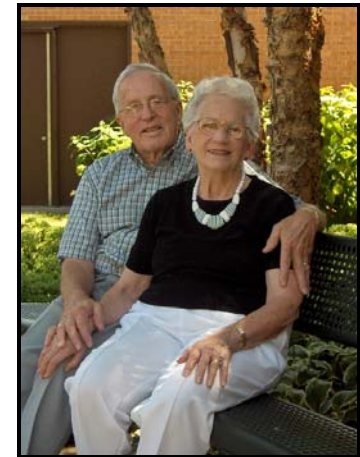
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# Charitable Gift Annuities



Wally and Irene Carlson, Lindstrom, MN gave a Charitable Gift Annuity and receive annual income from the annuity

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## A Gift That Keeps Giving

Charitable Gift Annuities are becoming more and more popular as folks discover the benefits of making charitable gifts in the form of gift annuities.

By giving a charitable gift annuity you are able to support a mission you believe in while personally benefiting in several ways:

- Fixed rate payments for your lifetime. They may be partially tax free or taxed at lower rates than other income
- Income, gift, and possible estate tax savings
- Favorable treatment of capital gains if your gift is made with appreciated assets
- Knowledge you are benefiting your Ecumen community for years to come.

Gift annuities can be an excellent strategy for those who wish to give but want to make certain they first have provided for their own financial needs and those of their loved ones.

You may find that a gift annuity can help you make a gift you never thought possible.

### Q. What is a gift annuity?

**A.** A gift annuity is a simple agreement between an individual and a charitable institution. In return for giving a charitable gift, the donor receives fixed payments for the rest of his or her life and/or the life of another person, if the donor so desires.

### Q. Do I receive any tax benefits?

**A.** Yes, since a portion of the amount you've given will be used for charitable purposes, you are entitled to a federal (and perhaps state) income tax deduction in the year you make your gift. Part of your payments will be tax free for a period of years as well.

### Q. How is my payment determined?

**A.** The amount of the gift annuity and your age at the time of your contribution are two key factors determining your payment amount. Part of the amount of your gift is returned to you over your life expectancy. The older you are when your gift annuity begins, the higher your rate of payment.

### Q. Will my payments change from year to year?

**A.** No, the rate is set when your annuity begins. But, if you give an additional gift annuity in a subsequent year, that rate will be higher, since you will be older.

### Q. What happens if I outlive my life expectancy?

**A.** The gift annuity agreement stipulates that you, or your designated beneficiary, will receive payments as long as you live.

### Q. Won't the economy or interest rate changes affect my payments?

**A.** No. Payments for a charitable gift annuity do not change, regardless of changes in interest rates or the national economy.

### Q. Can I benefit another person through a gift annuity?

**A.** Yes, you may designate a loved one to receive the payments either with you, instead of you, or only following your death. This can result in a double gift—one to our facility and another to a relative or special friend.

### Q. Does the payment change if more than one person receives payments?

**A.** Payment rates for annuities for two persons' lives are somewhat lower, since the combined period of life expectancies is typically longer than one person's life expectancy. Annuity payments may be made for the lives of one or two persons; such rates are available upon request.

### Q. Instead of cash, can I give stocks, bonds, or other securities to fund a gift annuity?

**A.** Indeed. If your securities have increased in value, there can be additional tax benefits to you. By giving appreciated securities to a charity, you won't have to pay the full capital gains taxes. If a low-yielding asset is given to fund a gift annuity, you may be able to increase your income, since a gift annuity may pay more than your CDs or other marketable securities.

### Q. How long do I have to wait until the payments from a gift annuity begin?

**A.** Payments begin the year you make the gift. Generally, donors elect to receive payments semi-annually.