

Insuring a Plan for the Future

If you are like most individuals, you will own insurance sometime during your life. However, as time goes on, your life insurance policy may no longer be needed for its original use. For individuals who desire to help charity, there are a number of charitable life insurance options to consider.

Insurance Gift Benefits

The benefit of making a charitable gift of life insurance is a current charitable income tax deduction with tax savings that may be enjoyed for up to six years. You also have the satisfaction of knowing that your policy proceeds are going to benefit a worthy cause.

Making a Gift of Life Insurance

It's easy to make an outright gift of a life insurance policy. Simply contact your insurance company and fill out the proper change of ownership form, designating charity as the new owner. If the charity decides to hold onto the policy, you may make cash contributions each year to pay the policy premiums. You will be entitled to an additional charitable income tax deduction for each of these gifts.

~ Request Information ~

I have reviewed your brochure on gifts of insurance and:

- I would like to speak with someone who can provide additional information.
- I would like to receive information on other charitable tax planning options.

Name _____

Street _____

City _____

State / Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

(Please complete and return. All inquiries are treated with complete confidence.)

Providing For the Future



Gifts of Insurance



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Options for Gifts of Insurance

In addition to outright gifts of insurance, a variety of charitable insurance plans are available to meet your needs.



Bequest of Insurance

You may wish to maintain ownership of your life insurance policy so that you can make use of the funds as a safety net if needed. By designating a charity as the beneficiary of your policy, you may still retain full control of your policy during your lifetime and charity will receive the insurance proceeds at your death. The beneficiary designation is usually made by filling out a simple form provided by your insurance company. Your gift will be deductible for estate tax purposes.

Insurance Unitrust

Perhaps you do not want to give your life insurance policy outright to charity, but instead desire life income. An excellent option is to transfer your policy to fund a charitable remainder unitrust. The unitrust will provide you with a current income stream for your lifetime or for a term of years. You will receive a charitable income tax deduction in the year the trust is established and benefit from tax savings that could be spread over a number of years. Charity will benefit from the future remaining trust value.

Insurance For Gift Annuity

Another life insurance income option is a gift annuity. Your insurance may be transferred to fund a charitable gift annuity, providing you with fixed payments for your life. The payments can be quite high depending on your age and a portion of your payments may be tax free. Your income stream may begin right away or in the future. Either way, you benefit from a current charitable deduction in the year the gift annuity is set up. Charity will receive the policy proceeds at your death.



A Gift of Insurance

At age 65, Melinda, a surviving spouse, was retiring and looking forward to spending more time with her grandchildren and the local charity where she volunteered. Melinda had purchased a life insurance policy many years ago naming her children as beneficiaries. One of her children had unexpectedly passed away, while the other continued to work and accumulate significant assets. Melinda wondered what could be done with her insurance policy that was no longer needed for its intended use. Melinda learned that the policy could be gifted to fund a charitable gift annuity that would pay her fixed income for life. Based on the premiums Melinda had paid, she would receive a nice charitable deduction. Best of all, Melinda knew that the policy proceeds would be used well by the charity.