

Gifts of Appreciated Stock

Appreciated stock is a powerful way to give, either as an outright gift or as funding for a life income gift (charitable remainder trust or gift annuity). Donors qualify for an income tax deduction for the full value of the stock and owe no capital gains tax on an outright gift. Capital gains are spread out over time for life income gifts.

Concept applied:

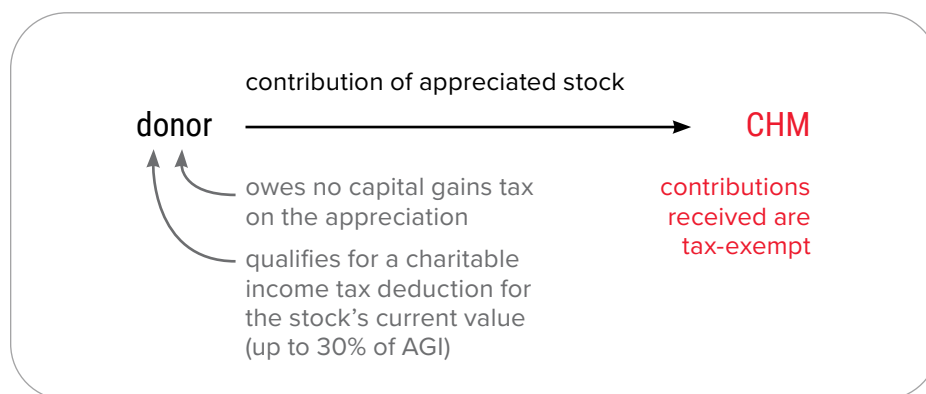
The double tax benefits of a gift of appreciated securities (held for more than one year) allow donors to make the biggest impact for the lowest cost.

How it works:

Ann Boesen wants to make a \$10,000 charitable gift. Having met the 0.5% giving floor through other itemized deductions, a cash gift would qualify for a \$10,000 deduction. However, if she chooses to give stock worth \$10,000 that she purchased years ago for \$1,000, she can not only deduct the full \$10,000, but she also owes no capital gains tax on the \$9,000 appreciation and possibly bypasses an additional 3.8% Medicare surtax on her investment income.

Limitations on deductions:

- Only gift amounts that surpass 0.5% of the donor's adjusted gross income (AGI) qualify for an income tax deduction.
- For donors in the 37% tax bracket, the tax benefit of their deduction will be capped at 35%.
- The maximum deduction for long-term appreciated stock is 30% of the donor's AGI. Any excess deduction can be carried over for up to five years.



Why is it useful?

In addition to reaping double tax benefits, a donor can use a gift of stock to rebalance a portfolio (perhaps reducing overall risk as retirement nears) or increase income (by funding a life income gift).



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