

Charitable Remainder Trusts

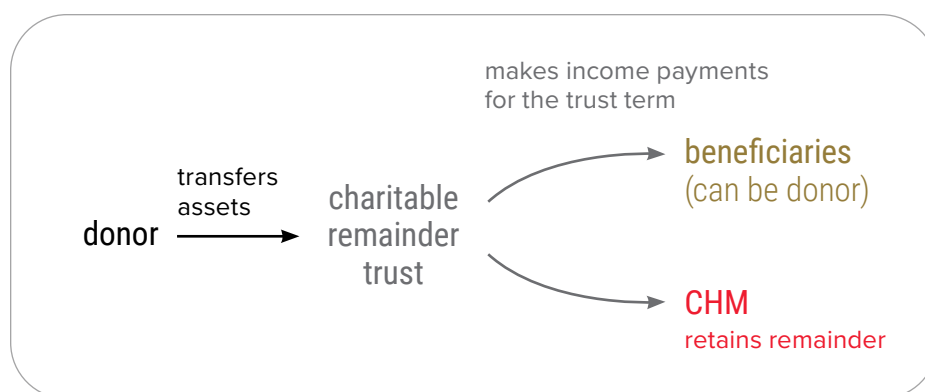
A charitable remainder trust is an irrevocable trust that makes payments to one or more beneficiaries during the trust term before passing the remainder to a qualified charity. The income payments are either a fixed amount (annuity trust) or a fixed percentage of annually revalued trust assets (unitrust).

Concept applied:

A donor can use a charitable remainder trust (CRT) to create an income stream for one or more beneficiaries, make a significant charitable gift, and qualify for an income tax deduction (subject to limitations).

How it works:

George Greenwell transfers highly appreciated stock into a CRT and names himself the beneficiary. The trust makes annual payments to George for life. He qualifies for an immediate income tax deduction for the present value of the anticipated charitable remainder interest and, of course, pays no capital gains tax on the appreciation at the time of transfer. When George dies, the trust distributes the remainder to the two charities he selected.



Why is it useful?

A charitable remainder trust lets a donor convert assets into an income stream, with significant flexibility in how income is paid and over what time period. A CRT is an ideal way to supplement retirement income or provide for the needs of loved ones—perhaps assistance for a struggling sibling, income for grown children, or funds to pay a grandchild's college expenses.



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