

Blue Ridge Area Food Bank and Feeding America® are excited to offer donors a way to receive a fixed, dependable income for life while supporting causes they care most about, including helping neighbors facing food insecurity.

## It's a Win-Win!

By setting up a charitable gift annuity with us, you or your loved one can receive lifetime income and make a gift to benefit your community.

A charitable gift annuity is a simple contract between you, Blue Ridge Area Food Bank and Feeding America. In exchange for your contribution of \$10,000 or more, Feeding America agrees to make fixed income payments for life to you or a beneficiary of your choice.

The amount paid is based on the age of the beneficiary and the amount of the contribution. The beneficiary must be a minimum of 65 years of age. After the beneficiary passes away, the remaining value of the annuity passes to Blue Ridge Area Food Bank.

## Why gift annuities are appealing to donors:

- Your income is fixed and is not affected by market turbulence.
- Income may be directed to you or a loved one.
- You may qualify for a tax-deductible donation for a portion of the contribution.
- The annuity may help to supplement your cash flow.
- A portion of the income you receive from the annuity may be tax-free throughout your life expectancy.
- You may receive a capital gains tax advantage if the annuity is funded with long-term appreciated assets.
- The remainder will be used for the long-term benefit of the community.

## **Additional details**

- You can contribute cash, publicly traded securities or IRA assets to fund a gift annuity.
- If you have owned the securities for more than one year and they have appreciated in value, you may not be taxed on the gain when you transfer the securities if you are the payment beneficiary.
- As with any charitable gift of securities, the value will be based on the average price of the shares on the day of the gift transfer.
- If you are the beneficiary of a gift annuity funded with long-term appreciated assets, a portion of the income you receive will be taxed partly as capital gains and partly as ordinary income, with an additional portion possibly treated as a tax-free return.
- If you are 70 ½ years and older, you can make a one-time election of up to \$54,000 to fund a gift annuity using your IRA assets. While your gift does not qualify for an income tax deduction, it does escape income tax liability on the transfer and count toward all or part of your required minimum distributions
- If you contribute cash, a portion of your income will be tax-free with the other portion treated as ordinary income.

Generally, the charitable deduction that you receive when setting up a gift annuity is approximately equal to the present value of the annuity's projected remainder. The tax-deductible amount depends on the age of the beneficiary and the amount of the gift.

## Younger donors may want to consider a deferred gift annuity

By establishing a deferred charitable gift annuity, you can make a charitable contribution now but postpone receiving income until you are 65 or older. If you are still working and do not need income now, a deferred annuity may help you supplement the payments that you receive from your qualified retirement plan and/or Social Security during your retirement.

Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA)	
Definition	A contract in which 1-2 annuitants receive a fixed sum each year for life in exchange for your gift to charity.
Set Up and Costs	Set up by staff at Feeding America at no cost to the donor
Tax Benefits	Immediate tax deduction on a portion of the initial contribution. Fixed income is partially tax free. Capital gains on annuity income may be spread throughout one's life expectancy.
When to Use	Donor seeks fixed income for life. May be funded with gifts of cash, long-term appreciated securities, or IRA assets.
Minimum Gifts	\$10,000
Subsequent Gifts	Subsequent Gifts Each subsequent gift requires a new annuity contract.
Tax Reporting	Donor receives 1099R