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A TAX-WISE WAY TO GIVE

If you are age 70½ or older, you may make gifts directly from individual retirement accounts (IRAs) to AFP&CC. It's called a qualified charitable distribution (QCD).

Why is a QCD such a good giving option?

- ★ Giving directly from your IRA—rather than withdrawing these funds—won't increase your adjusted gross income or subject your Social Security income to more taxes.
- ★ Such gifts can count toward all or part of your annual required minimum distribution (RMD). For those turning 70½ beginning in 2020, the minimum age for taking RMDs has increased to 72, but you can still make QCD gifts starting at age 70½.
- ★ QCD gifts can be especially advantageous for those who do not expect to itemize their deductions and for those whose deductions are limited.
- ★ You may make QCD gifts in any amount up to \$100,000 per-person, per-year or \$200,000 for a couple with separate IRAs. Because of recent tax law changes, you may be able to continue to add to an IRA after age 70½. If this is your situation, the amount of QCD gifts you can make will be reduced.*

*As a result of the SECURE Act, if an individual with earned income continues to make deductible contributions to an IRA beyond age 70½, the individual's maximum QCD amount will be reduced by the amount of deduction claimed for an IRA contribution.

Can I do this with other retirement plan assets?

- ★ The QCD is only possible with an IRA. It is possible to roll funds from other retirement plans into IRAs in order to take advantage of a QCD.
- ★ Some people choose to simply make charitable gifts with their retirement plan withdrawals—whether IRA, 401(k), 403(b) or other similar arrangements. When doing this, you will recognize income on your tax return, but you also can deduct the amount of your gift.

If you are thinking of making a gift to AFP&CC from your IRA, please let us know so we may provide the proper receipt and express our sincere thanks. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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LOOK BENEATH THE SURFACE OF YOUR PLANS

Plans you've had in place for years may offer flexible ways to give. Here are some ideas:

Life insurance as a gift: If you own more life insurance than your family now needs, you may wish to name AFP&CC to receive all or a portion of the proceeds after your lifetime.

If your insurance is in the form of an annuity, you can arrange for the life insurance company to pay income to you for life, while naming a charity such as AFP&CC as the beneficiary to receive any amount that may be left.

It's generally a simple process. Contact your life insurance company and ask about the necessary forms.

Retirement plans as a gift: If you have a 401(k), IRA or other retirement plan account, you have taken a major step toward secure retirement years.

Did you know you can name a charitable organization to receive part or all of what remains in retirement accounts after you and other beneficiaries no longer need the funds?

You can arrange a gift to AFP&CC through an IRA, 401(k) or other such retirement plan by completing an approved beneficiary designation form. Your plan administrator can provide you with the specific details of adding a charitable recipient.

Savings account and investment account gifts: You can leave such accounts directly to AFP&CC under the laws of most states through what is known as either a "transfer on death" or a "payable on death" (TOD/POD) provision. It's easy to do—just ask your financial services provider for the appropriate forms.



SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

To include AFP&CC in your will or trust, the following is suggested wording to take to your attorney:

"After fulfilling other provisions, I give, devise and bequeath ____% of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate (or \$_____ if a specific amount) to the American Federation of Police & Concerned Citizens (tax ID #52-1127259), a charitable corporation presently having offices at 6350 Horizon Drive, Titusville, FL 32780."



Please visit afpcc.givingplan.net to see additional ways you can make a gift in support of the work we do for the families and survivors of fallen officers.

ARE YOUR PLANS UP TO DATE?

Most people find they need to make changes in their estate plans from time to time. Take this quiz to see how your existing plans compare to your current needs.

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- 1. I have a will or other legal arrangement for distributing my property.
- 2. My employment status has not changed since last reviewing my affairs.
- 3. My marital status has not changed since my last review.
- 4. No significant increases or decreases in wealth have occurred since my last review.
- 5. Children or grandchildren have not been born since my plans were last reviewed.
- 6. I have provided explicit written authority to my executor or trustee to access digital accounts, records and assets (e.g., photographs, emails).

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- 7. I know my will may not determine the beneficiaries of my life insurance and retirement plans.
- 8. My friends, loved ones and my charitable interests are included in my plans in accordance with my current wishes.

How did you do?

This quiz is easy to score; all **True** answers indicate your plans are likely up to date. If you answered **False** to any question, you may wish to discuss that issue with your professional advisor.

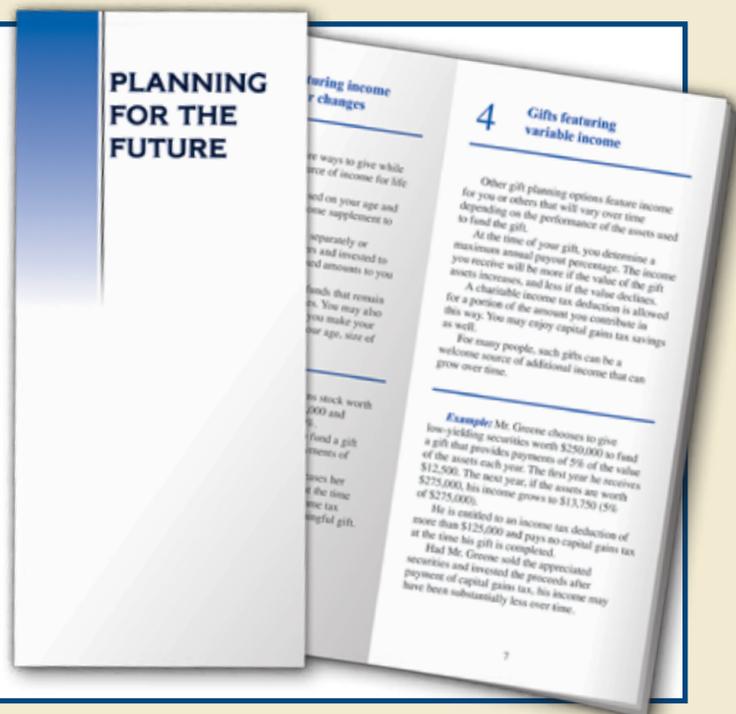
We will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the benefits of including gifts to AFP&CC as part of your plans. Simply contact us, confidentially and with no obligation, for more information.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

As you consider the different possibilities available to support those you care about, which often includes charities like AFP&CC, our response booklet offers additional information for you to think through.

“**Planning for the Future**” gives an overview of nine deferred giving options and provides practical examples of how the gift can work together with plans you already have.

Please return the enclosed reply card if you are interested in receiving a complimentary copy of this helpful booklet.



MAKING GIFTS THROUGH YOUR WILL

Through your will you can plan for the future well-being of your loved ones. Wills can provide for spouses, children, grandchildren, parents, siblings and friends. They can also include gifts to a different kind of “loved one”—a charitable organization you believe in and support.

Explore the options

There are many ways to make charitable gifts through your will. You can choose to give a specific amount, a particular property, a percentage of your estate or whatever remains after all other loved ones have been provided for. You can also combine these methods—for example, giving a percentage of a certain asset.

Each method of giving has different advantages. Your attorney can advise you on which approach best suits your goals.

Funding other plans

Wills can do more than provide for a simple distribution of assets. Through your will you can

fund other plans that result in income for a spouse or another loved one.

For example, you can use your will to set up a **charitable remainder trust**. With this type of planning vehicle, you irrevocably transfer assets to a trust and a loved one can receive either fixed payment amounts or payments that vary with asset values over time. When the trust terminates, the assets remaining in the trust become a gift to a charitable cause, such as AFP&CC.

Meet all your goals

Even those with strong ties to charitable causes want to know that their loved ones will be provided for. Your will can be used to meet many of your financial goals.

Talk to your attorney about the different methods of making gifts through your will. You may be surprised to find how many possibilities exist.



Thank you for making it possible for me to attend college on the mainland this past year. I also want to thank you for all the love and support you have shown our family over the last 11 years since my dad passed away in the line of duty.

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