



# **IRA Charitable Planning**

**MAXIMIZING USE OF YOUR IRA**

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## Impact and Savings

An IRA Charitable Rollover gift is an easy, tax-efficient way to make a gift to Notre Dame.

If you are 70 ½ years of age or older and have a traditional IRA, you can make an immediate impact at Notre Dame through an IRA Charitable Rollover gift. At the age of 73 you must begin making annual required minimum distributions (RMD). You may use your qualified charitable distribution to satisfy that requirement, up to a limit of \$100,000 per year.

## How It Works

- You must be 70 ½ years of age or older at the time of your gift.
- The transfer must be made from your IRA directly to Notre Dame.
- Your total annual IRA Charitable Rollover gift(s) cannot exceed \$100,000 in the calendar year of the gift.
- Your IRA Charitable Rollover gift must be made to Notre Dame by December 31 in the year you decide to make the gift.
- Your gift must be outright. Gifts from your IRA to donor-advised funds do not qualify as IRA Charitable Rollover gifts.
- Contact your IRA custodian to make the distribution and ask to include both your name and address in the transfer to ensure we accurately credit your gift.

## Noteworthy Benefits

- Satisfy part or all of your annual RMD from your IRA.
- Exclude part or all of that distribution from your federal taxable gross income, thereby reducing your tax liability.
- Consider using your rollover gift to join or continue membership in one of our giving societies.



**"Each year since turning 70 ½, we have taken advantage of the opportunity the IRA Charitable Rollover provision provides us to both reduce our taxable income and support our philanthropic causes. For Notre Dame, we use our IRA distribution to make our annual gift to the Sorin Society and have also endowed a research fellowship through the Graduate Studies and Research Council. Funding these gifts through our IRA allowed us to maximize our gift and minimize our income tax liability."**

**JOHN '64 AND JUDY SCULLY**

### Did You Know?

Gifts made to Notre Dame through your estate or to a Notre Dame charitable remainder trust or donor advised fund are just a few ways to qualify for membership in the Badin Guild, the recognition society for planned gifts. Members of the Badin Guild have access to exclusive events as well as unique opportunities to engage with the campus community.

# Beneficiaries Strategies and Opportunities

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Beneficiaries (other than a surviving spouse and other limited exceptions) must withdraw all assets from inherited IRA or 401(k) plans (Roth and traditional) within 10 years following the death of the account holder. Although RMDs are not required to be taken each year during this time, the entire account must be distributed no later than the end of the 10-year period. Previously, the beneficiary or beneficiaries who inherited the account were permitted to “stretch” the distributions and related taxes due on those distributions over the life expectancy of that beneficiary.

## PLANNING OPPORTUNITIES

If you have a retirement account that you had previously planned to leave to beneficiaries with the expectation that they could “stretch” the distributions over their lives, you may consider working with your advisors to reevaluate your strategies.

Fortunately, there is a planning opportunity available that can preserve the retirement account “stretch” benefit, known as a testamentary charitable remainder trust (CRT). Through a testamentary CRT established at Notre Dame, your loved ones may be able to benefit from a lifetime income stream.

## Making Notre Dame a Beneficiary of Your Retirement Account

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A retirement account bequest is one of the most tax-efficient ways to fund a charitable gift from your estate. By making Notre Dame a beneficiary of all or part of your retirement account, you may reduce or eliminate federal estate and income taxes related to your retirement account at your passing.

When the owner of a retirement account passes away and leaves the retirement account to family members, estate and income taxes on the retirement account may total 60% or more of the retirement account assets. You receive a charitable estate tax deduction upon your death when you designate your retirement account to Notre Dame. In addition, your estate and your heirs will not report any taxable income related to the retirement account distributed to Notre Dame upon your death.

With the reduced ability to defer income taxes on retirement accounts under the SECURE Act, making a charitable bequest of part or all of your retirement account is now an even more attractive option.

To designate Notre Dame as a beneficiary of your retirement account, contact your plan custodian and the custodian will provide you with the retirement account beneficiary forms to make your gift to Notre Dame.





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