Northeastern University **Gift Planning**

Today's Lesson: THE CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY



A **charitable gift annuity** is often described as a gift that gives back because it provides donors with a fixed and guaranteed income stream for life, generous tax savings, and has the added bonus of benefiting Northeastern in the future.

How It Works:

- 1. You irrevocably donate \$10,000 or more in cash or appreciated securities to Northeastern.
- 2. You and/or your beneficiary receive *fixed* annual payments *for life* at an attractive rate based on the age of the beneficiaries.
- 3. You can begin receiving payments immediately if you are 60 or older, or defer payments for a year or more and enjoy a proportionately higher payout rate.
- 4. Itemizers can take a tax deduction for a portion of the gift amount. If you donated appreciated assets, you save on capital gains taxes as well.
- 5. The principal passes to Northeastern after the lifetime of the income beneficiaries, providing a legacy gift to the university for a purpose that is meaningful to you.

Lesson Takeaway: Charitable gift annuities provide an income for today and a legacy for tomorrow.

Want to learn more? Explore our **Gift Calculator** (plannedgiving.northeastern.edu/charitable-gift-annuities) or contact the Office of Gift Planning for an informal conversation.

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