



Donations Through Gifts From IRA's or Other Retirement Plans

Description...

With the popularity of people saving more and more for their own retirement, the popularity of retirement accounts have grown substantially. In addition, so has the popularity of using these accounts as a planned gift. Planned giving donors may give a gift to the LifeQuest Foundation through appreciated retirement accounts, such as IRA's or pensions. This kind of gift could be a substantial tax-deductible gift.

Features...

Qualified pension plans make up a large segment of a special asset class known as "income in respect of a decedent," or IRD. Items of IRD are subject to ordinary income tax upon receipt, regardless of whether it was received by the owner (in the form of withdrawals) or by the owner's estate. Without proper planning, income, estate and even excise taxes may be incurred by the family upon the death of the plan's owner.

A gift to a nonprofit organization, like the LifeQuest Foundation, can reduce – even eliminate – taxes to the plan, freeing you from additional estate taxes.

When a nonprofit organization, such as the LifeQuest Foundation, is named as the beneficiary of an IRA or other pension asset, at the death of the participant, both income taxes and estate taxes are avoided, with the full amount of the remaining asset to be distributed.

Benefits...

1. **Provides a substantial gift** - Naming the LifeQuest Foundation as a beneficiary of an IRA or other retirement plan would provide an inexpensive and substantial gift.
2. **Removes a highly taxed asset from your estate** – Retirement plans are often the least attractive assets to leave children since these assets may be subject to income and estate taxes – even excise taxes. Providing this gift to the LifeQuest Foundation would free more tax-friendly assets to your family.

See your tax advisor?

As with all Planned Gifts, it is best to consult your tax advisor regarding any benefits associated with gifts to nonprofit organizations. After all, it's your legacy and you've earned the right to have your wishes completed effectively and correctly.

