# **CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST**

Gift Planning at the University of Virginia Darden School of Business

# A Great Way to Give — and to Receive

A charitable remainder trust is a wonderful way to simultaneously make your gift to the University of Virginia Darden School Foundation and create a reliable income stream for you and the beneficiaries you select.

## **How It Works**

A charitable remainder trust (CRT) can be funded with a wide range of assets, including securities, cash or real estate. A CRT provides income to you and/or other beneficiaries you designate for life or for a selected term of years. The remainder is then put to use by the Darden School Foundation as you direct. When funded at the minimum funding level of \$50,000, Darden will serve as trustee of your trust, and the trust assets may be invested with trust investment pools within the University's endowment.



## **Relief From Taxes**

If you establish a CRT, you may be eligible to receive several tax benefits, including a bypass of capital gains tax, a current charitable income tax deduction and a reduction in estate taxes. Your tax adviser will help you determine how each of these benefits applies in your specific situation.

#### Regular Payments — A Great Way to Supplement Your Income

You and your beneficiaries will receive regular payments from the trust for the entire trust term. Payments typically range between 5 percent and 7 percent of the trust value if the Darden School Foundation serves as trustee.

If you establish a charitable remainder annuity trust (CRAT), your annual payment will be a fixed percentage of the initial value of your trust. Your trust annuity payment will not fluctuate from year to year based on market performance.

If you instead establish a charitable remainder unitrust (CRUT), your annual payment will be a fixed percentage of the trust's principal as it is revalued each year. Thus, your unitrust payment will increase when the trust value increases but decrease if the trust value decreases.

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#### EXAMPLE: A CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are 69 years old. Together, they fund a charitable remainder unitrust with \$75,000 in appreciated securities.

Based on a 6 percent unitrust payment, the Smiths will receive a \$4,500 unitrust payment in the first year. In the following years, that amount will change based on the trust's annual value. The unitrust payment will be paid to both of the Smiths while they are both living, then to the survivor for the rest of his or her life.

In addition to their annual payments, the Smiths will be entitled to a charitable income tax deduction of \$24,915.75 in the year they establish their trust.

The money left in the trust after the Smiths have passed away will support Darden in the way the Smiths designated when they set up their trust.

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Typically, your annual payment will be made in quarterly installments, but when you establish your trust, you can decide how often you want to receive your payments.

#### Make an Impact at Darden

At the end of the trust term, the assets remaining in the trust will be distributed to the Darden priority you select for the purposes you define. For example, you might direct that the remainder be distributed for Darden's unrestricted use, to fund a scholarship or professorship in your name, to help with capital improvements or historic preservation, or to support a particular research program in any one of the School's departments.

#### **Real Estate and a "Flip" Trust**

If you want to fund a trust with a gift of real estate (or other hard-to-sell assets), you might want to establish a special kind of CRUT known as a "Flip" CRUT. Until the trust sells the real estate, your annual payments will comprise only the net income of the trust. After the sale, however, you will begin receiving annual unitrust payments. The Darden School Foundation regularly handles real estate transactions and is wellequipped to help you fund a trust with real estate.

#### The Cornerstone Society – Letting Us Say Thank You

On 6 October 1817, President James Monroe and former Presidents Thomas Jefferson and James Madison gathered at a ceremony to lay the cornerstone of Pavilion VII, the first structure at the University of Virginia.

Just as this cornerstone provided the foundation for the University's first building, the Cornerstone Society is laying the groundwork for the University's achievements in the decades ahead. The Cornerstone Society is the community of alumni, parents and friends who have made planned gifts to the University or its related foundations through wills, living trusts or retirement plan assets; gifts of life insurance; charitable gift annuities; and charitable remainder or lead trusts.

#### **How Can We Help You?**

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