

## Charitable Gift Annuities



Robert and Martha (NURS '54) DuShaw

*I know how stressful paying for college can be because I had to take a loan to pay for my education. Creating a charitable gift annuity at Pitt was a great way to help future students pay for college while generating income for my husband and me today.*

– Martha DuShaw (NURS '54)

**W**hen you transfer cash or appreciated securities to Pitt in order to establish a charitable gift annuity, you create a reliable and secure income stream for you and/or a loved one, while at the same time ensuring the University's financial future. There may also be considerable tax advantages with this type of gift.

Depending on your age or the age of your beneficiary(s), you establish guaranteed fixed payments at a frequency of your choosing—monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually. Further, the charitable gift annuity rate of return is set by the American Council on Gift Annuities and is usually higher than what is available from many conservative investments.

At the time of the last recipient's death, the remaining funds in your charitable gift annuity would be distributed to a specific fund of your choosing, e.g., the General Scholarship Fund, which helps students who may not otherwise be able to attend the University of Pittsburgh.

By establishing an annuity with Pitt, your investment is secured by the financial strength and endurance of the University. We'd be delighted to prepare a personal gift annuity illustration for you showing the potential income and tax benefits.

## IMPACT OF GIVING

Your current and planned gifts create opportunities for faculty, researchers, and future students, changing lives for generations to come. For example, many gifts support scholarships for students such as Naimah Aldridge.

Along with her studies, Naimah volunteers with students in a predominantly African American neighborhood of Pittsburgh to encourage and ready them to pursue STEM-related careers.

*Thanks to scholarship support, I did not have to worry if I would be able to afford tuition, textbooks, and other expenses. It allowed me to focus on my studies and engage with the community. I want to pay that forward to others in the future.*

– Naimah Aldridge (SCI '23)



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## A CLOSER LOOK

You have saved and invested well for your retirement, but the economy and financial markets don't always perform as we need or want them to. If you lived through uncertain economic times, you know that sometimes even the best laid plans can be upset when the markets perform unpredictably.

If you are concerned about the performance of some of your appreciated assets or need to increase cash flow for yourself or others, consider a gift annuity.

A charitable gift annuity works by transferring cash or securities to the University of Pittsburgh. In exchange, Pitt will make guaranteed fixed payments to you and/or another designee(s) for life. Depending on your age and your needs, you could choose from a current gift annuity, which begins to pay you back immediately; a deferred gift annuity, which begins to pay you at a set time in the future; or a flexible gift annuity, which allows you to decide in the future when to begin taking regular disbursements.

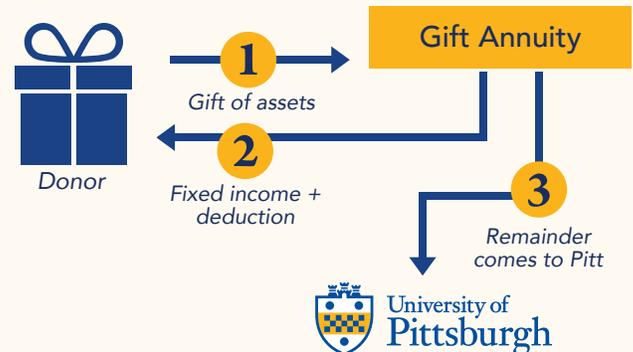
The payout percentage is based on age, so the older you or your designee(s) is, the greater the annual payments. A gift annuity provides other benefits, too—there are possible capital gains tax savings if funded with appreciated assets and a portion of your annual payment could be tax-free. You will have an income tax charitable deduction available to you in the year you create the gift annuity.

Each type of annuity comes with its own age-related rules. You must be at least 55 to receive payments from a current or deferred gift annuity, and at least 40 years old to create a deferred gift annuity. Additionally, a minimum gift of \$10,000 is required for a charitable gift annuity.

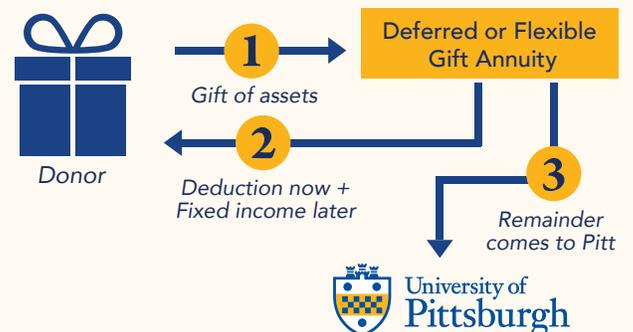
In addition to personal benefits, your charitable gift annuity provides a future gift to the University of Pittsburgh. At your death(s), whatever assets remain in your annuity will help support the fund(s) you designate.

The Office of Planned Giving is available to answer any questions and/or provide you and your financial advisor with a confidential illustration to show how a gift annuity would benefit your specific situation.

### CURRENT GIFT ANNUITY



### DEFERRED AND FLEXIBLE GIFT ANNUITIES



When considering charitable giving, you should talk with your tax, legal, and financial advisors; the University of Pittsburgh does not render these services.