

WAYS TO GIVE

How You Can Make A Tax-Deductible Gift To Support Duke HomeCare & Hospice

Ensuring that patients with life-limiting illnesses are cared for with the same dignity and respect that welcomed them into the world is the hallmark of Duke HomeCare & Hospice (DHCH). Since its inception, DHCH has used a holistic team approach (doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, pharmacists, grief counselors) to care not only for patients, but also for family members facing the loss of a loved one. DHCH also provides infusion services for those in need of medications and home health for those seeking rehabilitation after surgery or accident.

Your gift to DHCH will help ensure that its programs and services are available to everyone who needs them, regardless of ability to pay. Your gift can be unrestricted or restricted, can be used to support our Inpatient Care Facility (ICF) or Unicorn Bereavement Center (UBC), and can memorialize a loved one or honor a caregiver who made a difference in the life of someone you cared for.

OUTRIGHT GIFTS

CASH, CHECKS AND CREDIT CARD GIFTS

These are the most common ways to give to DHCH. Checks should be made payable to Duke HomeCare & Hospice. Unless specified on the memo line, gifts are unrestricted and will be used where most needed. If you wish to make a gift to support, for example, the ICF or UBC, please note that on the memo line.

Credit card gifts can be made on the Duke Medicine Development & Alumni Affairs secure website at <http://development.mc.duke.edu>. Please click on the link "Make A Gift to DUMC" which will take you to the "Make A Gift" site. You will find DHCH in section 2 listed under "Duke University Medical Center Non Annual Fund Designations." You can make your gift to support the following services: bereavement, home health, hospice and infusion.

MEMORIAL OR TRIBUTE GIFTS

Any gift to DHCH may be designated in memory or honor of a loved one, family member, friend, colleague, caregiver from DHCH or any other person.

GIFTS OF SECURITIES: STOCKS, BONDS, & MUTUAL FUNDS

Charitable gifts of appreciated stocks, bonds or mutual funds held for more than one year can provide special tax advantages. The person making the gift (the "donor") can claim a charitable tax deduction for the full fair market value of the securities donated to DHCH and will never have to pay capital gains taxes on the appreciation. Securities held less than one year may also be donated but the deduction is limited to the lesser of cost basis or market value.

To transfer securities to DHCH, you or your broker should contact the Office of Alumni and Development Records at Duke University (919-684-2338 or visit <https://development.mc.duke.edu> for security transfer instructions and brokerage account information). You should also notify the director of development for DHCH at 919-620-3853 x353 to inform us of your intent.

Closely held stock, Subchapter S corporation stock, limited liability company interests, and partnerships can sometimes be used to make a charitable gift. Any proposed gift of such assets (as well as any deferred or estate gifts) should be reviewed with both Mr. Joseph W. Tynan, director of gift & endowment planning for Duke Medicine (512 Mangum Street, Suite 400, Durham, NC 27701; 919-667-2506; tynan002@duke.edu) and your tax advisor in advance. An S corporation, limited liability company, or partnership may also donate specific assets, and the deduction will be divided among the shareholders or members.

GIFTS OF REAL ESTATE

Gifts of appreciated homes, farms and other real property held more than one year can receive the same tax treatment as gifts of securities: a full fair market value deduction and no tax on the capital gain. If debt-free property is donated to DHCH, the gift is deductible at the property's appraised value. It is sometimes possible to donate a partial interest in property through an outright gift, a deferred gift, or some combination of the two.

GIFTS IN-KIND

Another way to support DHCH is through gifts of tangible personal property. If the property is held more than one year and is related to the "charitable purpose" of DHCH, the donor may be eligible for a deduction of the asset's full fair market value (please note that it is the responsibility of the donor to assign a dollar value to gifts-in-kind, not DHCH). Examples of gifts-in-kind include artwork, special library collections, furnishings, machinery, computer software or hardware. Please check with DHCH's Office of Development prior to making any gift-in-kind.

CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS

Many companies will double or even triple the value of charitable gifts made by employees and their spouses, board members and retirees. Check with your company or visit <http://www.matchinggifts.com/duke> to find out if your company would match your gift to DHCH. Even irrevocable deferred gifts may qualify for a match based on their deduction value.

THE CHARITABLE IRA ROLLOVER:

A SPECIAL GIFT OPPORTUNITY FOR 2006 AND 2007

The Pension Protection Act of 2006 contains a temporary provision that allows donors age 70 ½ or older to make a direct, tax-free rollover of up to \$100,000 from an IRA to a qualified charitable organization, such as DHCH, but only during the 2006-2007 calendar years. A charitable IRA rollover should only be considered by individuals who are sure they will not need these assets at a later date. Donors of any age can still make a deferred gift of an IRA or other retirement account by naming DHCH as a beneficiary at their death.

DEFERRED OR PLANNED GIFTS

Although outright gifts provide vital resources for the daily support of DHCH, deferred gifts help ensure that these extraordinary services and programs will be available for years to come. Giving through estate plans or life income gifts may be particularly suitable for individuals who would like to provide significant support for DHCH but need income from their assets during their lifetime. Prior to making any deferred or planned gift to DHCH, please consult with Mr. Joseph W. Tynan and your tax advisor.

BEQUESTS BY WILL OR REVOCABLE “LIVING” TRUST

The most common form of deferred or planned gift to support DHCH is a bequest contained in a person’s will or revocable (“living”) trust. If you would like to make such a gift, please call, or have your attorney call Mr. Vincent P. Torti, director of development for DHCH at 919-620-3853 x353 and he will provide you with suggested language for your will or trust.

LIFE INCOME GIFTS

Donors may receive numerous tax and financial benefits by creating a “life income gift,” such as a charitable gift annuity or charitable remainder trust. The donor makes an irrevocable contribution of assets to fund the trust or annuity, gets an immediate income tax deduction for part of the contribution’s value, and receives income for life or a term of between 1 – 20 years. When the trust or annuity term ends, the remaining assets can be directed to support programs and services at DHCH.

CHARITABLE LEAD TRUSTS

A charitable lead trust can make an agreed payment to DHCH for a specific term of years or for someone’s life. Thereafter, the lead trust assets are either (a) returned to the person who created the lead trust; this person also receives an income tax deduction when the trust is created or (b) passed on to children, grandchildren or other loved ones and applicable estate or gift taxes on the value of the gift to the child or other heir are reduced or completely eliminated.

GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE

A donor can name DHCH as a primary or contingent beneficiary of a life insurance policy. If the donor retains any control over the policy, no income tax deduction is allowed. However, if DHCH is named both the sole owner and the beneficiary of a paid up policy, the donor may receive an immediate charitable deduction for the lesser of the policy’s fair market value or the net premiums paid.

GIFTS OF RETIREMENT PLANS

Naming DHCH as a primary or contingent beneficiary of a private pension fund (e.g. IRA, SEP, 401(k)) can result in a “tax wise” testamentary gift because these assets do not receive favorable tax treatment at their owner’s death. In some cases, it is best to divide one retirement account into two separate accounts – one for family members or other individuals, and one for DHCH. Your retirement account’s “plan administrator” (the company that manages the account) can help you designate DHCH as a beneficiary on the plan’s “Beneficiary Designation” form (please copy DHCH).

RETAINED LIFE ESTATE

You may generate a current income tax deduction by giving a home or farm to DHCH, while retaining the right to use the property during your lifetime. The property will also be removed from your taxable estate.

DEDUCTIBILITY

Duke HomeCare & Hospice is a member of the Duke University Health System, Inc., (EIN 56-2070036) and therefore qualifies as a “public” charitable organization and meets the requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Gifts to Duke HomeCare & Hospice are deductible at the highest limits allowed for federal income or estate tax purposes.

Estate tax deductions - Testamentary gifts are deductible at 100% of the value of the assets donated to DHCH.

Income tax deductions – A person may deduct gifts of cash up to 50% of their adjusted gross income (“AGI”) in the year of the gift. Gifts of appreciated securities or real estate held for more than one year, and gifts of tangible personal property held for more than one year which are related to the charitable purpose of DHCH, may be deducted up to 30% of a person’s AGI. Tax deductions may be carried for up to five (5) additional years.



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