You Can Fund Your Giving in a Variety of Ways

Giving to a fund at Madison Community Foundation (MCF) is easy, and you can use a variety of assets to do so. You can direct your gifts to your own fund, a nonprofit organization’s endowment fund or to a fund whose giving is overseen by MCF, like the Community Impact Fund. In addition, you can choose to make a gift in your own name, in honor of someone else or anonymously.

Make a Gift Using Cash

MCF can accept gives made using checks, credit cards or through an electronic funds transfer (EFT).

- **Checks.** Make checks payable to Madison Community Foundation and be sure to include the name of the fund to which you’re contributing in the memo field. Checks should be mailed to our office at 111 N. Fairchild Street, Suite 260; Madison, WI 53703.

- **Credit cards.** You can make a gift using your credit card at [www.madisongives.org/givetoMCF](http://www.madisongives.org/givetoMCF), over the phone or through the mail. Your gift amount will be reduced by the merchant processing fees for credit card transactions, which are approximately 4%.

- **EFTs.** You can set up an automatic monthly gift to come directly from a checking or savings account. You can find the EFT form at [madisongives.org](http://madisongives.org) under the Ways to Give/Cash section, or you can call our office.

Give Using Securities

Giving appreciated securities and mutual fund shares offers an immediate charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the donated assets, as well as avoidance of any capital gains tax on the appreciation. If you wish to contribute shares of publicly traded stock or mutual funds, you can find an instruction form to give to your broker at [madisongives.org](http://madisongives.org) under the Ways to Give/Stocks and Mutual Fund Shares section.

MCF may accept gifts of closely held business interests on a case-by-case basis. Call us to learn more.

Fund Your Giving With Life Insurance

Life insurance is one of the easiest ways to leave a legacy. If the policy premiums are complete, simply name Madison Community Foundation as beneficiary. If premium payments are needed, you can assign your insurance policy to MCF and continue to make annual, tax-deductible contributions to cover the premium.

When making your beneficiary designation, use the following:

- **Legal Name:** Madison Community Foundation
- **Tax ID:** 39-6038248
**Name MCF as Beneficiary of Your Retirement Accounts**

Naming MCF as beneficiary of your Individual Retirement Account (IRA), 401(k) or 403(b) is an economical alternative to family beneficiaries, allowing your beneficiaries to avoid taxes on those assets. Completing a Legacy Gift Statement of Intent, which can be downloaded at madisongives.org under the *Ways to Give/Retirement Plan Beneficiary Designation* section, allows you to designate where you would like the funds to go, and the impact you want your gift to have.

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**Purchase a Charitable Gift Annuity**

A charitable gift annuity (CGA) allows you to make a tax-deductible gift today and receive a guaranteed income for your lifetime and the lifetime of another, if you choose. Annuity payments may begin immediately or be deferred. The remainder of the CGA is used to benefit a charity endowment of the donor’s choice.

**Give Through Your Estate Plan**

Naming MCF as a beneficiary in your will allows you to leave a legacy of support for your charitable interests while retaining complete control of your assets during your lifetime. You can make a bequest of a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate or the remainder of your estate after bequests to your family members are satisfied.

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- **Tax ID:** 39-6038248

**Donate Real Estate**

MCF can generally accept gifts of real estate and will work with you and your advisors to facilitate the process.

Gifts of real estate may include residential, commercial, industrial or undeveloped property, and can be made now or through your estate plan. A gift of real estate you have owned for more than one year may entitle you to a tax deduction for the full fair market value of the property while allowing you to avoid capital gains taxes.

*MCF is unable to accept gifts of equipment, vehicles and boats.*