Planned Gift Comparison Chart

The chart below provides general gift, estate, and financial planning information. As with all major financial decisions, we encourage you to discuss your goals with your loved ones and your financial advisor, attorney, and/or accountant.

Gift Type	Definition	Timing	Main Benefits
Bequest	Include the Museum in your will. Gift may be a	Gift is deferred until after your lifetime and	Exempt from estate tax.
	percentage of your	benefits the Museum	
	estate or a fixed amount.	in the future.	
Retirement Assets	Name the Museum as a	Gift is deferred until	Avoids income tax on
	beneficiary in your life	after your lifetime and	your retirement plan,
	insurance policy,	benefits the Museum	which can be more
	pension, IRA, donor	in the future.	heavily taxed than
	advised fund,		other assets.
	commercial annuities, or		
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IRA Roll Over	If you are 70 ½ or older,	Gift is made in your	Income tax savings,
	you may make a charitable contribution	lifetime and benefits the Museum now.	as the contribution is not considered
	to the Museum directly	the Museum now.	income for federal
	from your IRA.		tax purposes. Since
	nom your ma.		no tax is incurred on
	Note that while		the transfer, gifts do
	retirement assets in 401		not qualify for an
	(k), 403 (b), SEP, or		income tax charitable
	SIMPLE plans do not		deduction, but they
	qualify, they may be		are eligible to be
	rolled into a new or		counted toward your
	existing IRA and		annual required
	transferred to the		minimum
	Museum.		distribution.
Charitable Lead Trust	Removes assets from	Gift is made in your	Income tax
	your estate and transfers	lifetime and benefits	deduction for annual
	them to your designated	the Museum now.	payments to the
	beneficiaries at the end		Museum. Reduction
	of the trust term. Museum receives annual		in taxable estate.
	distribution from trust		
	now.		
Charitable Remainder	Provides you or your	Gift is deferred until	Immediate income
Trust	designee income for life,	after your lifetime and	tax deduction. No
	with remainder gifted to	benefits the Museum	capital gains liability.
	the Museum	in the future.	Possible estate tax
			savings.