

Make a difference today and save on taxes. It's possible when you support Catholic Charities of Louisville through your IRA.

For those 70 ½ years old or older:

You can give any amount (up to a maximum of \$105,000 for 2024) per year from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as the Catholic Charities of Louisville without having to pay income taxes on the money. Gifts of any value \$105,000 or less are eligible for this benefit and you can feel good knowing that you are making a difference through Catholic Charities of Louisville. This popular gift option is commonly called the IRA charitable rollover, but you may also see it referred to as a qualified charitable distribution, or QCD for short.

Benefits:

- Your gift will be put to use today, allowing you to see the difference your donation is making.
- Beginning in the year you turn 72, you can use your gift to satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution (RMD).
- You pay no income taxes on the gift. The transfer generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your deductions.
- Since the gift doesn't count as income, it can reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your Medicare premiums and decrease the amount of Social Security that is subject to tax.

For those 59 ½ years old or older:

If you're at least 59½ years old, you can take a distribution and then make a gift from your IRA without penalty. If you itemize your deductions, you can take a charitable deduction for the amount of your gift.

At any age:

No matter your age, you can designate Catholic Charities of Louisville as the beneficiary of all or a percentage of your IRA and it will pass to us tax-free after your lifetime. It's simple, just requiring that you contact your IRA administrator for a change-of-beneficiary form or download a form from your provider's website.

Tip: It's critical to let us know of your gift because many popular retirement plan administrators assume no obligation to notify a charity of your designation. The administrator also will not monitor whether your gift designations are followed. We would love to talk to you about your intentions to ensure that they are followed. We would also like to thank you for your generosity.

More information:

Contact Melody Denson at (502) 585-3291 x1117 or mdenson@archlou.org for additional information on IRAs or to talk more about the different options for including us in your will or estate plan.

Bequests are made through the Archdiocese of Louisville to Catholic Charities of Louisville.