Charitable Gift Annuity

When a donor transfers an asset to a charity¹ in exchange for an income for one or two lives, it is called a charitable gift annuity.

The income tax deduction from this arrangement will vary depending on the age of the donor, the payout rate and the applicable (mid-term) federal rate (AFR) (which is determined monthly).

The following charts illustrate the income tax deduction at various ages and AFRs. Each example assumes a cash gift of \$100,000. The payouts vary with the age of the donor.²

Age 55 / 4.8% / \$4,800		⇐ Recommended Payout ➡ 5.2%		% / \$5,200 / Age 60
AFR Table Rate	Total Charitable Deduction	Income Excluded from Taxation ³	Total Charitable Deduction	Income Excluded from Taxation ³
4.8%	\$30,838	\$2,429	\$31,526	\$2,839
5.0%	32,314	2,376	32,844	2,787
5.2%	33,742	2,323	34,125	2,735

Age 65 / 5.7% / \$5,700		⇐ Recommended Payout ➡ 6.3 ⁰		% / \$6,300 / Age 70
AFR Table Rate	Total Charitable Deduction	Income Excluded from Taxation ³	Total Charitable Deduction	Income Excluded from Taxation ³
4.8%	32,952	3,369	35,630	4,051
5.0%	34,094	3,312	36,580	3,988
5.2%	35,210	3,255	37,512	3,931

¹ In most states, a charity must be licensed to grant a gift annuity.

² Many charities follow the suggested maximum payout rates developed by the American Council on Gift Annuities (ACGA), 5151 E. Broadway Blvd., Suite 1600, Tucson, AZ 85711. Tel: (770) 874-3355. On the internet: https://acga-web.org

³ The amount shown represents that portion of the annual payment due to recovery of the donor's basis in the annuity. Once the basis has been completely recovered, all additional payments are fully taxable.

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Age 75 / 7.0% / \$7,000		⇐ Recommended Payout ➡ 8.1		% / \$8,100 / Age 80
AFR Table Rate	Total Charitable Deduction	Income Excluded from Taxation ¹	Total Charitable Deduction	Income Excluded from Taxation ¹
4.8%	40,033	4,837	44,284	5,929
5.0%	40,779	4,774	44,853	5,864
5.2%	41,516	4,718	45,416	5,808

Note: Table calculated using ACGA "recommended" Single Life Gift Annuity rates effective January 1, 2024.

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