



# 10 Ways to Make a Legacy Gift in Support of the Mission of FUMC-Hendersonville

(Please consult with your financial advisor before proceeding with any of these examples. Examples may change with changes in US Tax law)

1. **A bequest matches up beautifully with the FUMC-Hendersonville Mission Statement.** While there is no immediate income tax deduction available, a charitable bequest is an excellent way to help us meet the future needs of our mission for Generations to come.
2. **An outright gift of cash or securities.** For gifts of cash, you are entitled to an income tax contribution deduction up to 50% of your adjusted gross income with five additional years to carry-forward any unused deduction. For long-term appreciated security gifts, the limit is 30% of adjusted gross income, and potential capital gains tax is avoided.

If you are over 70-1/2 years of age, you can also contribute by having the Required Minimum Distribution, or any portion thereof, from your IRA paid directly to FUMC – Hendersonville and avoid paying income taxes on that contribution.

3. **A gift establishing a Charitable Gift Annuity.** In exchange for a gift of cash or securities, donors receive a fixed guaranteed annuity. The payout rate is based on the age of the annuitant. Senior annuitants receive a higher rate. There is no capital gains tax on the annuity's gift portion when long-term appreciated securities fund the annuity. Part of the annuity is received tax free for the duration of the annuitant's life expectancy. An income tax contribution deduction is available for a portion of the gift. Payments begin within a year of establishment.
4. **A gift establishing a Deferred Charitable Gift Annuity.** Similar to the above, in exchange for a gift of cash or securities, you receive a fixed guaranteed annuity. The rate is based on the age of the annuitant and the number of years to the first payment. Based on the number of years of deferral the annual payout rate may be considerably higher.
5. **A gift in trust.** We are happy to work with you and your financial advisor to create an income arrangement suitable to your unique circumstances. For example, you may choose a fixed or fluctuating payment, the rate of such payment, as well as other features to suit your needs. You will incur no capital gains tax on the transfer of long-term appreciated securities or real estate to the trust, and you will receive an income tax contribution for part of the gift. As with most life-income plans, the funds will be available to First UMC Hendersonville when trust income payments are completed. These are often called Charitable Remainder Trusts and can be customized to meet current and future needs including retirement planning.

6. **An outright gift of real estate.** Appreciated real estate offers great potential in charitable gift planning. These are creative ways to make a gift. Consider a gift of a home, vacation property, condominium, undeveloped land or other real estate in support of FUMC-Hendersonville.

It is also possible to transfer ownership of a personal residence or farm to FUMC - Hendersonville while retaining the use and enjoyment of the property during your life. This may be an excellent way to support FUMC-Hendersonville, receive an income tax contribution deduction for the property's current remainder value, and continue to use the property as long as you live.

7. **The purchase of a new life insurance policy** benefitting First United Methodist Church - Hendersonville. You can make a generous commitment at a low cost through a life insurance gift. Your annual gift in affect would be sent to FUMC-Hendersonville and FUMC-Hendersonville would pay premiums on the policy. Your annual gift qualifies as an income tax contribution deduction or you can simply designate FUMC-Hendersonville as beneficiary of your policy
8. **A gift of an existing life insurance policy.** Many people own life insurance policies which are no longer needed for their original purposes. Such policies may be modified to make FUMC-Hendersonville the sole beneficiary. In general, you will be entitled to an income tax contribution deduction for the policy's cash surrender value, and you may be able to deduct any future premiums paid.
9. **A gift of an income stream.** By creating a Charitable Lead Trust, you can provide annual payments to FUMC-Hendersonville from a pool of assets which later are returned to you or distributed to your heirs. This plan allows you to transfer assets to family members at a reduced tax while providing meaningful support to the mission of our congregation for a period of years, for example, \$20,000 a year for five years can be made possible through the creation of a Charitable Lead Trust.
10. **Creative combinations.** You can make a commitment through any one of the above arrangements, or you can combine them in creative ways to suit your unique circumstances.

*For more information, contact the FUMC-Hendersonville Finance Office (828-693-4275) and they will listen to your wishes and work with you to develop a plan that will help support the mission and ministry of the church. As in all cases regarding financial matters such as these we strongly encourage you to seek the counsel of professional advisors.*