

IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)

An easy way to give



Leslie Mulford uses her IRA to make charitable gifts during her retirement.

Are You Looking for an Easy Way to Help Causes You Care About?

Contributing from your IRA to a fund at the Community Foundation for Monterey County (CFMC) is an easy way to reduce your tax burden and make a charitable gift. In retirement the IRS requires you to withdraw a certain amount (a required minimum distribution or RMD) from your IRA each year, and you pay income tax on every distribution you receive. You can utilize part of your RMD to direct a gift to benefit the causes of your choice through an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD).

How it Works

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can make a gift from your IRA account to the CFMC for the causes you care about. Gifts made from your IRA (up to \$100,000 per year) are not taxable income. If you are 72 or older in the year of the distribution, your gift qualifies towards your RMD. If you are married, your spouse can also make a gift of up to \$100,000 from his or her IRA, for a total of \$200,000.

Benefits of an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution

- You can make a gift from your IRA to establish or add a fund* to benefit your favorite nonprofit organizations.
- You can conveniently distribute your QCD to the nonprofits of your choice through one gift to the CFMC that will benefit your favorite causes.
- Gifts made from your IRA (up to \$100,000 per year) are not considered taxable income.
- If you are 72 or older in the year of the distribution, an IRA QCD qualifies toward your required minimum distribution, which can lower your income and taxes.

Types of Funds

You can request an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution to benefit or establish many types of funds*, including the Fund for Monterey County, field of interest, designated, agency, operating and scholarship funds.

*Gifts to donor advised funds, private foundations, or to fund a CGA or CRT do not qualify for preferential tax treatment. You cannot receive any goods or services in order for an IRA QCD to qualify for tax-free treatment.

An IRA QCD can support your favorite causes

“You never know what the future holds, a flexible fund like this allows me to change my giving according to future needs.”

—Leslie Mulford

Leslie Mulford retired as CEO of a major insurance company. When she was required to draw on her IRA, she learned she could utilize the IRA QCD to satisfy part of her required minimum distribution and support her favorite causes.

By gifting her IRA to a field of interest fund of the CFMC, she was not taxed on the withdrawal, and received the benefit of lower taxable income.

Leslie chose to create the Leslie Mulford Fund at the CFMC to benefit her areas of interest. Grants from the fund now support at risk youth, elderly services, music in schools, literacy and disaster relief.

Read her story at cfmco.org/Mulford.

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An IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution may be right for you if:

- You wish to make a gift without using cash or other assets.
- You do not need all or a portion of your IRA income.
- You are looking to reduce your taxable income.
- You do not itemize deductions. Because an IRA QCD can reduce your income and taxes, you can still benefit from charitable giving even as a non-itemizer.
- You want to give over and above your normal giving.

An IRA QCD gift does not count towards the 50% of annual income limit on charitable gifts. This gift opportunity only works for IRAs. If you own another type of qualified retirement plan, you must first make a tax free rollover of funds into an IRA. Then you can make the gift from the IRA account to support the nonprofits of your choice through the CFMC.

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Joining Together for Big Ideas

You can direct your gift to support participating nonprofit(s) of your choice in the Monterey County Gives! year-end campaign from mid-November through December 31 and receive a partial match. Monterey County Gives! is a partnership of the CFMC, the Monterey County Weekly and the Monterey Peninsula Foundation.

Visit mcgives.com to see participating nonprofits.

Make a Gift

Please contact the CFMC Philanthropic Services Team for instructions for your IRA plan administrator.

To inspire philanthropy and be a catalyst for strengthening communities throughout Monterey County

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