

Steve & Becky Schmidt

Increasing Future Cash Flow



Steve and Becky Schmidt (both age 70) own a publicly-traded stock valued at \$100,000 with a \$25,000 cost basis. The stock currently pays a 1% dividend but the Schmidts don't need the income. More importantly, they are concerned about market fluctuations and want to make sure the stock can produce a cash flow in the future if their IRA runs out.

If the Schmidts sold the stock, they would have to pay \$14,437 in capital gain tax on the appreciation. However, by contributing the stock to a charity in exchange for a deferred charitable gift annuity (DCGA), the charity will hold the stock or invest the sales proceeds in return for agreeing to pay the Schmidts a level cash flow of \$10,200 each year for the rest of their lives starting in 14 years. The charity, as a non-tax paying entity, can sell the stock without incurring a tax liability and invest the entire proceeds from the sale of the stock in a diversified portfolio of stocks and bonds. In addition, the Schmidts will receive a \$61,966 income tax deduction this year.

Steve & Becky's DCGA allows them to save a substantial amount in immediate capital gain taxes, diversify their portfolio, take advantage of the ability to receive a future lifetime cash flow based on all the value of their stock, and receive a substantially increased future lifetime cash flow that is level and dependable. However, the Schmidts are most pleased that they have shifted all investment risk to the charity while creating a legacy by leaving money to a charity that will support causes that are meaningful to them.

Benefits of Schmidt CGA*	
Income Tax Deduction	\$61,966
Before-Tax Lifetime Cash Flow	\$71,400
Future Charitable Benefit	\$148,714
Immediate Capital Gain Tax	\$0

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Key Features of a CRAT:

- CGAs pay a level cash flow to the annuitant so they are well-suited for people who desire a continuous, predictable cash flow.
- CGAs can never accept additional contributions after the initial funding. However, since CGAs are so easy to create, many people create multiple CGAs to approximate an additional contribution.
- CGA payments are tax-advantaged through the annuitant's life expectancy. After that, all payments are taxed as ordinary income.
- Investment risk is shifted to the charity. Therefore, investment performance and program expenses do not change the annuity payout.
- Most charities that issue CGAs use the recommended rates published by the American Council on Gift Annuities.
- Immediate CGAs must make a payment to the annuitant each year. Deferred CGAs start the annuity payment in a future year.

Assumptions:

- Marginal Federal and state income tax rate of 31.6%.
- Marginal Federal and state capital gain tax rate of 19.25%.
- 4.25% investment return (only affects the charity's interest).
- Some charities reinsure their CGAs.
- CMFR = 2.2%.
- Not all charities are eligible and/or registered to issue CGAs. CGAs are subject to state and federal regulation. Deduction may be limited. Consult a tax advisor. *Based on a 9-year life expectancy

