Transfer property to your children or grandchildren while making a significant contribution to the Jewish community.

At A Glance

- Charity receives annual contributions for a specified period of time; family members then receive the remaining assets
- May allow transfer of assets to family members with little or no transfer tax
- Growth in value of assets may be transferred to heirs with no transfer tax

A Charitable Lead Trust (CLT) offers an excellent way to transfer property in the future to family members, especially in a low interest rate environment. You will also be making valuable contributions to the Jewish community to help with critical needs now—or to support initiatives and organizations in the future. You can even use a CLT to make your gifts to the annual campaign.

A CLT is established for life or a specific number of years. The trust pays an annual amount to the Jewish community until the end of the term. At the end of the trust term, the remaining trust assets are transferred to the beneficiary of the trust—usually children or grandchildren—with no income or estate tax due at that time, even if the fair market value is far in excess of the value when originally contributed to the trust.

Any gift or estate tax that might be due as a result of the future transfer of the assets to your next generation is based on the value of the property at the time of the original contribution to the trust. The income and estate taxes may be offset or eliminated by a charitable deduction for the trust equal to the value of the annual distribution to the charity over the term of the trust. You and your professional advisors would select the best payout rate and trust term for you.

Typical Donor Profile

- Has a moderate to large taxable estate
- Holds assets with the potential for additional growth that can produce income
- Wants to pass assets to heirs who do not need assets or income today

What Else Do I Need To Know?

Your gift will offer you the satisfaction of supporting both your Jewish community and your loved ones.

These trusts allow you to transfer property to a trust for a stated number of years or life, with Federation receiving income during this period. The trust property is distributed to you or your beneficiaries at the end of the term of the trust.

You can direct your gift to the annual campaign or establish a permanent named fund to benefit the Jewish community.
The United Jewish Endowment Fund of the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington strives to help our community provide an enriched Jewish life today and a vibrant Jewish tomorrow. The Endowment Fund connects philanthropists with opportunities to meet Jewish needs and tikkun olam—repairing the world. Together, we strengthen and advance Jewish life in the Greater Washington area and around the world.

The United Jewish Endowment Fund of The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington

- Generates permanent funds to support the work of our Jewish Federation family of agencies and beyond to the Greater Washington community;
- Catalyzes diverse funding sources to leverage our ability to meet Jewish needs and effect change in the broader community;
- Awards seed money to new and innovative initiatives for enriching Jewish life and for tikkun olam; and
- Furnishes funds for unanticipated and emergency needs locally and overseas.

The United Jewish Endowment Fund’s Legacy Society recognizes those individuals who create a permanent fund of at least $10,000 to sustain the vitality and strength of our Jewish community. If you establish a fund of $200,000 or more, you will become a member of the national Star of David Society of the Jewish Federations of North America.

Contributions to the United Jewish Endowment Fund are tax deductible to the full extent the law allows.

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