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#### CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUSTS

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# **Charitable Remainder Trusts**

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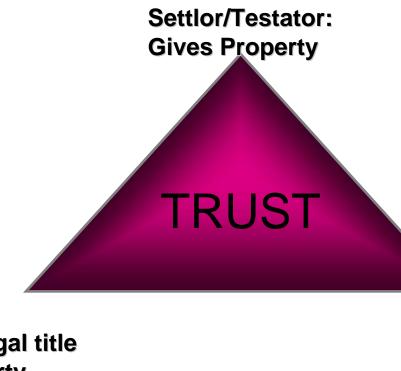


# Items to be addressed

- Basics
- Charitable receipting and disbursements
- Trustee powers
- Funding a CRT
- Receipt valuation calculation
- Beneficiaries
- CCRA
- How to identify opportunities



## Parties to a Trust



Trustee: Holds legal title to property (legal ownership) Beneficiary: Holds equitable title to property (beneficial ownership)

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# **Charitable Remainder Trusts**

- Donor <u>irrevocably</u> transfers assets to Trust
- Receives income for life (or fixed term)
- Only income, no encroachment on capital
- When Donor dies (or term is up), capital is given to charity (or charities)
- Donor receives tax receipt for present value of future interest of gift to charity



### <u>Requirements for such a</u> transaction to be considered a gift

Under IT226R, in order for CCRA to consider a gift to have been made, the following requirements must be met:

a) there must be a transfer of property voluntarily given with no expectation of right, privilege, material benefit or advantage to the donor or person designated by the donor.

b) the property must vest with the recipient organization at the time of transfer. A gift is vested if:

- the person or persons entitled to the gift are in existence and are ascertained,
- the size of the beneficiaries' interests are ascertained, and
- any conditions attached to the gift are satisfied



### Requirements con't:

c)the transfer is irrevocable

d)it must be evident that the recipient organization will eventually receive full ownership and possession of the property transferred.

Also, in order to claim the gift for income tax purposes, it must be supported by an official donation receipt.



# **Unresolved Issues:**

- Discount rate
  - possibilities
- Charitable remainder trusts not mentioned in the Income Tax Act

CCRA opinions provided

- capital gain on transferred asset
  - election under 118.1(6) of Income Tax Act
- additions to a trust



# **Valuation Formula**

$$P = V$$

$$(1 + i)^{n}$$

"P" = present value

- "V" = fair market value of the property transferred to the trust
- "i" = interest or discount rate
- "n" = life expectancy of the income beneficiaries



#### **Example:**

Mr. DoGood, age 68, contributes to a charitable remainder trust listed stock having a cost base of \$150,000 and a fair market value of \$500,000 and names himself as income beneficiary. The annual dividend from the stock is \$10,000. Soon after the contribution the trustee sells the stock and purchases bonds paying 6 percent.

-Amount contributed	\$500,000
-Elected amount (under section 118.1(6))	\$200,000
- Capital gain recognized as a result of transfer of stock to trust (\$200,000 - \$ 150,000)	\$ 50,000
•Taxable gain (50% x \$50,000)	\$ 25,000
•Tax on gain (assuming Ont. Highest rate @ 46.61%)	\$ 11,603
•Tax Credit	\$ 92,820
(assuming 46.61 combined credit, \$200,000 x 46.41%)	
•Net tax savings (\$92,820 - \$11,603)	\$ 81,217
Income before gift Income after gift	\$ 10,000 \$ 30,000

