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Covered in this
Issue:

*Save on Taxes
by Donating to
the JCCF*

*There's More to
the Foundation
than Scholarships*

Maximize Your Tax Breaks with a Charitable Donation

If you are seeking a tax break, why not consider a charitable donation?

It is a win-win situation whereby you receive a tax break and your favorite charity benefits from your benevolence. There are many different reasons to make a charitable donation, including incentives from the U.S. government. Yes, you can actually save taxes by donating to the Jennings County Community Foundation!

We are fortunate that the U.S. government has instituted a pattern of incentives and has built a tax system that reinforces a philosophy that "it pays to give."

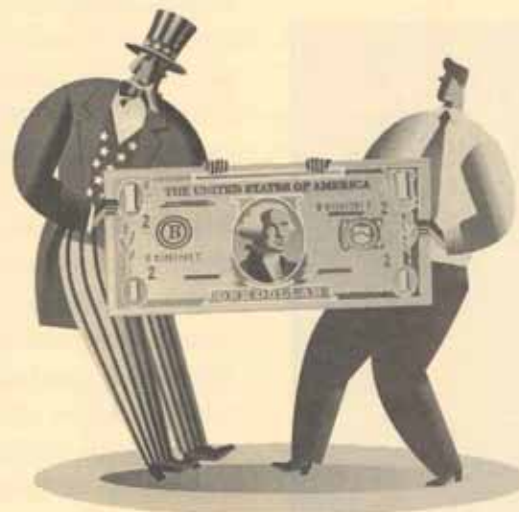
This philosophy of helping others while helping yourself is one that does not always reach those likely to reap its rewards. It is estimated that seven out of ten Americans will die without a will. Deferred gifts or "planned giving" are often part of a larger plan of gifting that is mistakenly thought of as only a tool that the rich can use. It is not. It is a tool that everyone can wield to fulfill their charitable wishes regardless of their income level.

Capturing the Benefits of Appreciated Stock through Charitable Giving

It is surprising to many that some of the best strategies for reaping the benefits of highly appreciated securities are available to you if you avail yourself of charitable planning. Let's look at a couple of examples.

I know my stock is worth a lot more now than what I paid for it. Wouldn't I get a higher deduction if I gave cash?

No, not at all. So long as you have held the stock for more than 12 months you can deduct its full market value at the time of your gift, regardless of how much you paid for it. For example, if you purchased



a stock for \$10,000 several years ago and it is now worth \$50,000, your deduction would be for the full value of \$50,000. If you cashed in the stock you would be subject to the capital gains on the appreciated \$40,000.

What effect does a charitable deduction have on my taxes?

It reduces your federal income tax liability. The amount of tax savings depends on your marginal tax bracket. If you are in the 33% bracket, a \$40,000 deduction will save you \$13,200 in taxes ($\$40,000 \times 33\%$). Ignoring any other savings, this will reduce your after tax cost of your \$40,000 gift to \$26,800 ($\$40,000 - \$13,200$).

So why the Jennings County Community Foundation?

The Jennings County Community Foundation should be seen as a tool for you to use to:

A. Help you maximize your federal income tax deductions and

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Mark Your Calendar

"Germany"

April 21

Rolling Hills Shrine Club

Our Annual Gala

JCCF

Annual Meeting

March 21

JC Public Library

Call 346-5553

For More Information

Foundation Offers Variety of Funds to Match Your Interests

The awarding of scholarships may be the one area of community support which the Foundation is best known for. And for good reason. Education plays a vital role in our community and in our future. The many scholarships established at the Jennings County Community Foundation is a testament to donors' generosity and faith in the younger generation.

But did you know that the Foundation has an array of endowments that address such issues as support of community organizations, conservation, history, the arts, preservation and recreation, to name just a few?

Did you know that you can start your own endowment which would be directed to financially support your own pet project, interest or field of study for as little as \$2500? Or that donors can take up to two years to full reach that level of investment? Whether you wish to honor a loved one's memory by establishing a scholarship, help fund your favorite organization for years to come or want to assist in beautifying the city park for years to come, the Jennings County Community Foundation can make those dreams come true.

And in the process we can probably help save you taxes!

Just give us a call at 812-346-5553 today!



The Park Theatre Civic Centre is just one of many organizations here in Jennings that receive support from our Foundation, thanks to the generosity of donors.



The Hayden Historical Museum has received several endowments, all of which help support the mission of the museum, such as the restoration of the Sinclair Gas Station.

The Cure for What Ails You

Good Things Happen When you Give to the JCCF

- You will join the company of hundreds of Jennings County residents who can truly call themselves 'philanthropists.'
- You will be able to rest comfortably, knowing your gift is invested in a mix of investments that is best described as "moderate risk."
- You will gain satisfaction in realizing your gift—no matter how large or small—will keep on giving forever.
- You will feel the excitement of knowing your donation will go toward an interest, project or ideal that you hold in high esteem
- And last, but not least, you will probably save on your taxes!



Maximize Your Tax Breaks...

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B. Use as an informational and referral source of charitable interests who would benefit from your gift.

The Foundation can serve as a conduit for funding those charitable interests within our community that the donor deems to be in the best interest of their charitable wishes. Our Board of Directors has also established a listing of areas of importance that a donor may want to consider and as such, may offer suggestions the donor may wish to consider in making a philanthropic gift that could significantly impact the community.

As a 501-C-3 community philanthropic institution, we can accept your gift on behalf of a particular interest or charity and establish an endowment or charitable trust that will not only provide you with the maximum federal income tax deduction, but will enable the charitable interest to receive 5% of the interest earned off of your donation each year (market performance permitting) forever! It is our conviction that if enough money is raised for a particular purpose, then the earnings off of that saved/invested donation can serve to fund that charitable cause forever, thereby eliminating the need for yearly fund drives to support that particular institution.

Your Community Foundation has one defining purpose, which is to encourage, support and administer gift support for local charitable institutions. It has been our experience that one fact is abundantly



When you add it all up, including the Jennings County Community Foundation in your portfolio makes a lot of 'cents.' We advise you to check with your own financial advisor or attorney to see how donating to the Foundation can reduce your tax liabilities.

clear...our community has greater unmet needs than current funds can support. It is also clear that those unmet needs will not only continue, but grow in the future.

So why not help others by helping yourself? We would be glad to assist you and your tax advisor in obtaining the exact deduction for a gift that you may be considering. For more details, call our office at 812-346-5553 or visit our office located at 265 East Main Street in North Vernon. (Please consult your attorney about the applicability of making a donation to your own situation and of the legal principles contained herein.)

Park Theatre Civic Centre Calendar of Events 812-346-4329

MOVIES



No Movie February 16, 17, 18

Coming Attractions

Rocky Balboa (PG)

We Are Marshall (PG13)

Arthur and The Invisibles (PG)

Tickets - \$4 12 & Under \$2

JENNINGS COUNTY PLAYERS

"Little Shop of Horrors"

Thursday and Saturday, Feb. 22 & 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 25 at 2 p.m.

Advance Tickets - \$6 \$8 At the Door

Grades 1-12 \$3 / Preschool \$1

Live Concerts

- Ron Bridgewater & Friends and New Found Road
March 4 - 7 p.m. - Tickets \$5
- Brenda Williams "The Gospel Truth"
March 10 - 7 p.m. - Tickets \$15
- Indianapolis Children's Choir - March 11 - TBA
- Peter Oprisko - April 7 - 8 p.m. - Tickets \$12

Theatre Works USA - Children's Series

Seussical - Friday, March 2 - 10 a.m. & noon

Cam Jansen - Saturday, March 3 - 1 p.m.

Ramona Quimby - Wed., March 2 - 10 a.m. & noon

Henry & Mudge - Saturday, April 14 - 1 p.m.

Tickets - Adults \$10 Students \$3

In Lieu of Flowers

Consider remembering a loved one with a memorial gift that lasts forever. Gifts to an endowment or scholarship fund will provide permanent support for a particular charity, education of a student or for the priorities of Jennings County.



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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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How to GIVE

Making charitable contributions is a creative process that adapts to the changing needs and wishes of the donor. Planned giving enables a donor to arrange charitable contributions in ways that maximize his or her personal objectives while minimizing the after-tax cost.

Cash This is the most frequent method of contributing. Your donation can be directed toward a specific charity or used at the discretion of the Foundation.

Stocks & Bonds You receive a charitable tax deduction equal to the fair market value of any marketable securities you contribute to the Jennings County Community Foundation. If the securities have appreciated in value since purchased, you pay no capital gains tax.

Bequest You can include the Community Foundation in your will. The value of your bequest would not be subject to estate taxes and your gift would continue your vital involvement in the future of the residents in Jennings County.

Life Insurance If you choose this method, you simply assign the policy and beneficiary rights to the Community Foundation. Your charitable tax deduction would be the lesser of the cost of the cash

value of the policy. If you continue to pay annual premiums, these too are tax-deductible. The future benefit to the Foundation would be equal to the face value of the policy.

Charitable Remainder Trust You also have the option of establishing a trust with some of your assets. You would receive a charitable tax deduction for the remainder value as determined by IRS regulations, and estate taxes would be reduced upon your death. You and your designated heirs would receive an income for life. The remainder would go to the Foundation upon the death of the final beneficiary.

Charitable Lead Trust You may give your assets to the Foundation for the designated period of time. The income from the assets would be available for grants. After this period, the property and trust can be returned to you or your estate. You pay no income or capital gains taxes during the period the Foundation manages these assets.

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The Importance of Planned Giving Every gift is a result of planning to some degree. The act of writing and mailing a check to a charitable organization, such as the Foundation, is the result of a conscious decision on the part of the donor. Many larger gifts are the results of more detailed planning involving the donor, his or her attorney, accountant, trust officer, life insurance agency, or other advisor. This type of planning includes a careful review of the donor's objectives in making the gift as well as the tax consequences of the gift, which will affect the donor's overall financial planning. By going through this process, an individual can make sure his or her family's needs are met and make it possible for a substantial gift to be made to a charitable organization such as the Jennings County Community Foundation. The importance of working with a professional in planned giving or estate planning cannot be overemphasized.

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