

IRA Charitable Rollover Frequently Asked Questions

What is an IRA Charitable Rollover?

An IRA Charitable Rollover is a provision that gives certain donors the opportunity to exclude transfers of Individual Retirement Account (IRA) assets from their taxable income when transferring gifts <u>directly</u> to public charities.

What are the benefits of using an IRA Charitable Rollover?

Using an IRA Charitable Rollover makes it simple to use your IRA assets to make charitable gifts during your lifetime.

What gifts qualify for an IRA Charitable Rollover?

A qualified charitable contribution would be:

- Made from a donor age $70\frac{1}{2}$ or older.
- Transferred <u>directly</u> from an IRA to a public charity, such as The Muny.
- Completed within the applicable tax year.

What are the limitations of this opportunity?

An individual's charitable gifts made through an IRA rollover cannot exceed \$100,000 in one tax year.

How does this affect my required minimum distribution?

A qualifying rollover can help satisfy your required minimum distribution for the year if you have not already reached it.

Why might I choose to make a gift through an IRA rollover?

This might be a good option for you if:

- You have significant IRA assets.
- You are making large gifts in relation to your income.
- You have so few deductions that you choose not to itemize.

What tax benefit will donors receive for making this type of gift?

The only benefit a donor receives from making an IRA Charitable Rollover gift is not having to recognize the distribution as income. There is no tax deduction for this type of gift.

Is the charitable IRA rollover right for me?

An IRA Charitable Rollover gift is a great option for donors who qualify; however, there are other tax advantaged charitable planning vehicles that may provide additional benefits. While Muny staff cannot provide legal or tax advice, we can visit with you about options available to meet your charitable and financial goals.



Can I use rollover gifts to pay towards my Second Century Campaign pledge?

Yes! If you have already made a campaign pledge, your rollover gift can be used to fulfill your pledge. Please indicate your intent to fulfill your pledge by contacting The Muny's Development Office at (314) 595-5779. If you have not already made a campaign gift, rollover gifts can be designated to the Second Century Campaign any time before December 31, 2020.

Can I name The Muny as a beneficiary of my IRA?

Absolutely! Naming The Muny as a beneficiary of your IRA is a simple way to honor your commitment to The Muny experience through your estate plans, regardless of your decision to make an IRA Charitable Rollover gift. Creating this deferred gift commitment will be recognized as part of the Second Century Campaign. You also will become a member of The Muny's Henry Kiel Society.

What do I need to say to my IRA provider?

Here is a draft letter you can use to communicate with your IRA provider:

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please accept this letter as my request to make a direct charitable distribution from my Individual Retirement Account # ______ as provided by Sec. 408(d)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code 1986, as amended.

Please issue a check in the amount of \$_____ (not to exceed \$100,000) payable to "The Muny" and mail it directly to:

The Muny Attn: Development Office #1 Theatre Drive St. Louis, MO 63112

In your transmittal, please give my name and address as the donor of record in connection with this gift and indicate that the check is to be designated to ______. (e.g. the Second Century Campaign, the Muny Partners program or another area of your choice.) Please copy me on your transmittal to The Muny.

It is my intention to have this transfer qualify for exclusion with respect to the 2018 tax year. If you have any questions, or need to contact me, I can be reached at _____. Contact The Muny directly for wire transfer information at (314) 595-5779.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Your Signature Your Address