

IRA Charitable Rollover Frequently Asked Questions

What is an IRA Charitable Rollover?

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

What gifts qualify for an IRA Charitable Rollover?

A qualified charitable contribution would be:

- Made from a donor age 70 ½ or older.
- Transferred directly from an IRA to a public charity, such as Pi Beta Phi Foundation.
- Completed within the applicable tax year.

What are the benefits and limitations of this opportunity?

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. A qualifying rollover gift can help satisfy your required minimum distribution for the year. However, a donor's charitable gifts made by an IRA rollover cannot exceed \$108,000 in tax year 2025 and \$111,000 in tax year 2026.

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

This might be a good option for you, if:

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

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 Pi Beta Phi Foundation staff cannot provide legal or tax advice, we can visit with you about options available to meet your charitable and financial goals.

When can I make a gift with an IRA rollover?

To complete a required minimum distribution for any given calendar year, transfers must be complete by December 31. To count towards a required minimum distribution for a specific calendar year, transfers may be made January 1 to December 31. Contact your IRA administrator for more information.

How do I make an IRA Charitable Rollover to Pi Beta Phi Foundation?

Share the IRA Gifts Form with your IRA custodian to share your intent to make a charitable rollover gift. Your custodian will work directly with the Foundation to distribute your gift. Please also contact the Foundation at fndn@pibetaphi.org to share your intent. We want to ensure your gift is designated correctly and confirm how you would like to be recognized.

Can I still make Pi Beta Phi Foundation a beneficiary of my IRA?

Of course! Naming Pi Beta Phi Foundation as a beneficiary of your IRA is a simple way to honor our sisterhood in your estate plans, regardless of your decision to make an IRA rollover gift. Doing so will also make you a member of the Foundation's Marianne Reid Wild Society.