Charitable Remainder Unitrust

Planned Charitable Giving Using a Split-Interest Trust

CRUT Overview

- Lifetime transfer of cash or property in trust in exchange for unitrust interest payable over
 - (a) Fixed term of years not to exceed 20
 - (b) Lives of one or more noncharitable beneficiariesShorter of (a) or (b)
- Dollar payout redetermined annually on the basis of the trust's fair market value (unitrust)
- Assets remaining in trust after expiration of unitrust interest pass to charity

CRUT Advantages

- Deferral of capital gains taxes on sale of appreciated property transferred to the trust
 - Tax-free portfolio diversification inside CRUT
 - Sales proceeds undiminished by taxes are reinvested by trustee for growth and income
- Tax-deferred income stream retained by donor and/or family members
- Donor is entitled to income, gift and/or estate tax deductions for value of charitable gift
- Tax-efficient, deferred gift to charity

CRUT Requirements

- Transfer is irrevocable
- Unitrust amount payable to noncharitable beneficiaries at least annually
 - Payments must be in cash and/or property only
 - Payments cannot be less than 5% or more than 50% of trust fair market value, revalued annually
- Actuarial value of remainder interest must be at least 10% of the value of the transfer at time of funding
- Additional transfers to CRUT are permitted

CRUT Tax Treatment

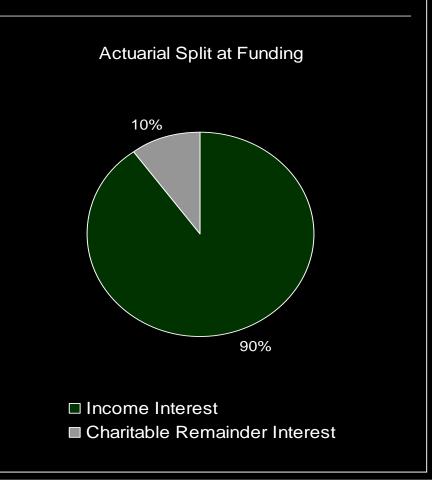
- Trust is tax-exempt unless unrelated business taxable income is present, in which case UBI is fully taxed
- Unitrust payouts are taxed to noncharitable beneficiaries under tiered system, as follows:
 - Ordinary income
 - Short-term capital gains
 - Long-term capital gains
 - Tax-exempt income
 - Corpus
- In-kind distributions may trigger capital gains

CRUT Tax Deductions

- Charitable income tax deduction equal to value of remainder interest at time of funding
 - Donor can elect to use section 7520 rate for month of funding or either of two preceding months
 - Deductions limited to % of adjusted gross income
 - Unused deductions carry forward for up to five years
- Deduction based on tax basis if charity is private foundation, unless gift is qualified appreciated stock
- Gift and/or estate tax deduction based on fair market value regardless of charity's character

Charitable Deduction Example

- \$1,000,000 stock transfer
- One-life CRUT
- Donor age 55
- 13.212% annual payout
- 2.0% 7520 rate
- Valuation at start of the year and payout at end of the year



CRUT Suitability

- Appreciated property with a motivation to sell
 - Need or desire for portfolio diversification
 - IPO or M&A transaction is contemplated
 - Conversion of nonproductive property to variable income stream paid from trust
- Prospective donor with charitable intent
 - Irrevocable transfer to charity is required
 - Retained interest is limited to an annual payout based on the trust's initial fair market value
- Testamentary CRUT can shift the IRD tax burden

CRUT Enhancers

CRUT returns that exceed payout rate

- Appreciating property provides noncharitable beneficiaries with a growing income stream
- Lower payout rate provides greater tax deferral against potentially larger charitable transfer
- Higher tax rates make the tax-advantaged nature of CRUTs more beneficial
- Wealth replacement trusts may be used in conjunction with CRUTs to maximize wealth

CRUT Plus Wealth Replacement

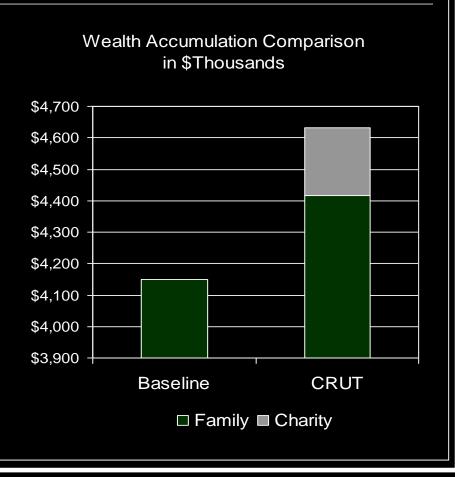
- Life insurance replaces the lost wealth associated with the charitable transfer
- Policy owned by and payable to an irrevocable trust (a.k.a., wealth replacement trust)
 - Insurance proceeds are excludable from donor/insured's estate
 - Tax savings and increased income stream from the CRUT can fund insurance premiums
- Wealth replacement trust can be structured as a dynasty trust

CRUT Drawbacks

- Legal and administrative fees
- Irrevocable transfer is required
 - Only a unitrust interest can be retained
 - Donor should have charitable intent
- Poor CRUT investment performance translates to decreasing income stream
- Unrelated business taxable income causes trust to partially lose tax-exempt status for that year
- Transfer of debt-encumbered property is problematic

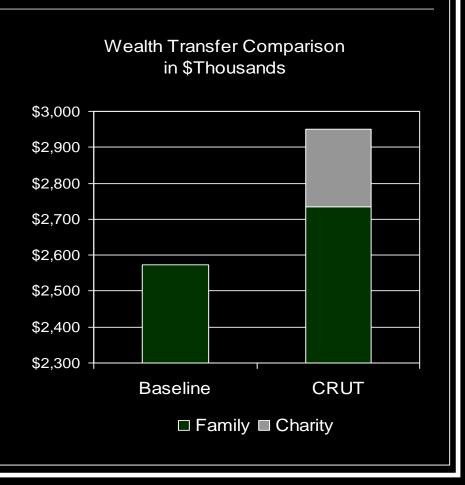
Wealth Accumulation Example

- \$1,000,000 stock transfer
- \$250,000 tax basis
- One-life CRUT
- Donor age 55
- Age 85 life expectancy
- 13.212% annual payout
- Highest tax brackets
- 2% income rate
- 6% growth rate
- 2.0% 7520 rate



Wealth Transfer Example

- \$1,000,000 stock transfer
- \$250,000 tax basis
- One-life CRUT
- Donor age 55
- Age 85 life expectancy
- 13.212% annual payout
- Highest tax brackets
- 40% federal estate tax rate
- 2% income rate
- 6% growth rate
- 2.0% 7520 rate



Summary

- Planning for the disposition of appreciated property and/or IRD presents challenges and opportunities
- CRUTs are efficient planned giving vehicles
 - Current tax deduction = value of remainder interest
 - Tax-free portfolio diversification
 - Convert nonproductive property to income-producing
 - Donor retains variable, tax-deferred income stream for self and/or other noncharitable beneficiaries
 - Significant, planned, future gift to charity