



The Jewish Federation
OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
Serving Hampden, Hampshire & Franklin Counties

JEWISH ENDOWMENT
FOUNDATION

CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST

CREATE A JEWISH LEGACY

You can take care of your family, the Jewish community and your own philanthropic goals with a charitable lead trust.



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What is it?

- A Charitable Lead Trust is an excellent way to transfer income-producing property to the next generation at significantly reduced gift or estate tax cost, while meeting your philanthropic objectives.
- A Charitable Lead Trust provides payments to the Jewish Federation of Western Massachusetts for a specific term of years or for your lifetime.
- The Federation allocates these payments as you direct. For example, you can create or augment an unrestricted endowment fund. If you're a Lion of Judah, you may wish to ensure your legacy through a Lion of Judah Endowment Fund. If Jewish education or some other particular cause is especially close to your heart, you can set up a special purpose fund. You can also create a donor advised fund or a supporting foundation.
- At the end of the charitable term, the trust is distributed to the beneficiary or beneficiaries you specify.

How does it work?

- A Charitable Lead Trust is established for a specific term by contributing an income-generating asset, often real estate. The trust pays a fixed annual amount or a fluctuating amount that

is a fixed percentage of the annual value of the trust assets to the Federation until the end of the term. After that, the trust's principal passes to the beneficiary or beneficiaries whom you name.

- The value of the gift to your beneficiary or beneficiaries is the actuarial value of their right to the trust assets when the charitable term ends. The larger the specified trust payments to the Federation, and the longer the charitable term, the smaller the gift or estate tax cost.

What are the benefits?

- May reduce taxes that would otherwise be due on assets left to children or others
- Allows you to make a substantial charitable gift that the trust pays out over a period of years until major assets are passed on
- May be structured to eliminate estate tax on the appreciation of assets placed in the trust.
- You invest in the future of the Jewish community and serve as a role model for future generations.