

Ways You Can Support Catholic Education at Mater Dei Catholic School

EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program)

The EITC program provides tax credits to eligible businesses contributing to a Scholarship Organization, an Educational Improvement Organization, and/or a Pre-Kindergarten Scholarship Organization. The program enables you to redirect your tax dollars to provide scholarships for children attending Mater Dei Catholic School.

Charitable Gift Annuity

A charitable gift annuity can provide you or a loved one a guaranteed fixed income with an immediate charitable income tax deduction for a portion of the annuity as defined by tax law and ensure that Catholic Education at Mater Dei Catholic School will be available after your life.

Gifts from Retirement Plans

Tax-free IRA Rollover up to \$100,000 per year is now permitted by IRS and it counts toward your "Required Minimum Distribution" (RMD) if you are over age 70 ½. Other retirement plan gifts may also qualify for "direct gifts from the plan to the charity". You can consider a charitable gift using all or a part of your mandatory withdrawal amount (RMD).

Life Insurance Gifts

When you designate Mater Dei Catholic School as the beneficiary on a new or existing life insurance policy, you are allowed to take a tax deduction for the cost of your annual premiums, among other tax advantages. Your tax consultant will advise you on your personal tax issues.

Gifts of Securities

Gifts of securities require special handling, but these allow you to gift "appreciated" securities without your paying tax on the appreciation. Consult your tax advisor. These security gifts can be electronically transferred into our "Univest Trust Account".

Bequest through Your Will or Living Trust

Recent changes in estate tax law may allow you to give more to charities now and in the future. After providing for your current beneficiaries, you may include a gift to Mater Dei Catholic School in a specific amount, a percent of your estate, or a certain property. You may simply donate whatever is left after providing for your loved ones.

Gifts of Cash

The **Mater Dei Annual Fund** solicits financial help each year for special upgrades to technology infrastructure, teaching aids, or needed building facilities upgrades. The **Tuition Assistance Fund** solicits financial help to provide financial aid to families with children at Mater Dei. The **Annual Fund Trek for Tech** solicits financial help for the technology program. Cash or checks can simply be made to Mater Dei Catholic School, or you can make your gift online.

Contact the Advancement Office, Grace Samanns (215-368-9787), if you are interested in additional information on any of these options.