

Your Year End Giving Makes A Difference Now More Than Ever!

Let the Houston Jewish Community Foundation Show You How.

Maximize your deductions now.

The new tax law making its way through is likely to have a significant impact on the tax advantages currently afforded by charitable deductions. The tax proposal would double the standard deduction, making it less advantageous to itemize deductions. Therefore, if you will be itemizing your deductions for 2017, this is the opportune time to make an addition to an existing donor advised fund or tell a friend to open a donor advised fund at Houston Jewish Community Foundation (“HJCF”). The same donation in 2018 may not afford you the same tax benefit.

There are several ways for you to make thoughtful, generous, and tax-wise gifts by year’s end:

- **Gifts of appreciated stock or mutual funds**

You can realize valuable tax benefits when you contribute appreciated assets to charity by avoiding capital gains tax and taking a deduction for the asset’s fair market value. Gifts of appreciated securities can be made to a new or existing Donor Advised or Designated Fund at HJCF.

- **IRA Charitable Rollover**

If you are 70½ or older, you can distribute up to \$100,000 from a traditional IRA directly to a charity with no tax liability. Your IRA rollover donation can be a direct donation to HJCF or to Federation or one of our Jewish community organizations – or you can use it to establish a Designated Fund at HJCF to distribute money over time to other charitable organizations of your choosing.

What you can do with your donation:

Let us help you meet your philanthropic goals while maximizing your tax benefits for 2017. Please contact Roberta Herman Dietrich (rherman@houstonjewish.org) or Linda Uzick (luzick@houstonjewish.org) at (713) 729-7000 for a confidential conversation.

Act now to take advantage of 2017 tax benefits!