

Hidden Potential: Donating Alternatives and Complex Assets

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Introducing Fidelity Charitable®

2024

Largest
grantmaker
in the
United States

352,000
donors

217,000
charitable accounts

213,000
nonprofits

Poll

What do you see as the greatest opportunity for charitable planning in your practice?

☐ Deepening client relationships

☐ Tax planning and efficiency

☐ Multigenerational planning and legacy

☐ Differentiation from other advisors

☐ I'm not sure yet

Discussing philanthropy is good for business

Advisors who engage clients in charitable planning have on average:



20%
more growth



1.5x
AUM

What you can give

Simple assets

- Cash
- Stocks, bonds, ETFs, mutual funds, and other securities

Alternatives & Complex Assets

- Privately held business interests
- Cryptocurrency
- Restricted stock
- Oil and gas royalties
- Private equity funds
- Hedge fund interests

Potential benefits of donating long-term appreciated assets or complex assets:

- Generally entitled to the full fair market value tax deduction at the time of the gift
- Potentially reduce or eliminate capital gains taxes
- Give more by donating directly rather than liquidating or before there is a prearrangement to sell a business

33%

Cash

10%

Non-publicly
traded assets

57%

Publicly traded
securities

Percentage of types of
assets contributed to
Fidelity Charitable in
2024, by dollars

Poll

In the last three years, how many times have you guided a client through a donation of a non-publicly traded asset?

☐ Three or more times

☐ One or two times

☐ Never

Impact of contributing complex assets

Example

- S-corp founder planning a \$20 million sale, facing large capital gains, and wants to give to a domestic violence shelter

Strategy

- Donate \$2 million worth of shares pre-sale to a donor-advised fund sponsor

Potential Benefits

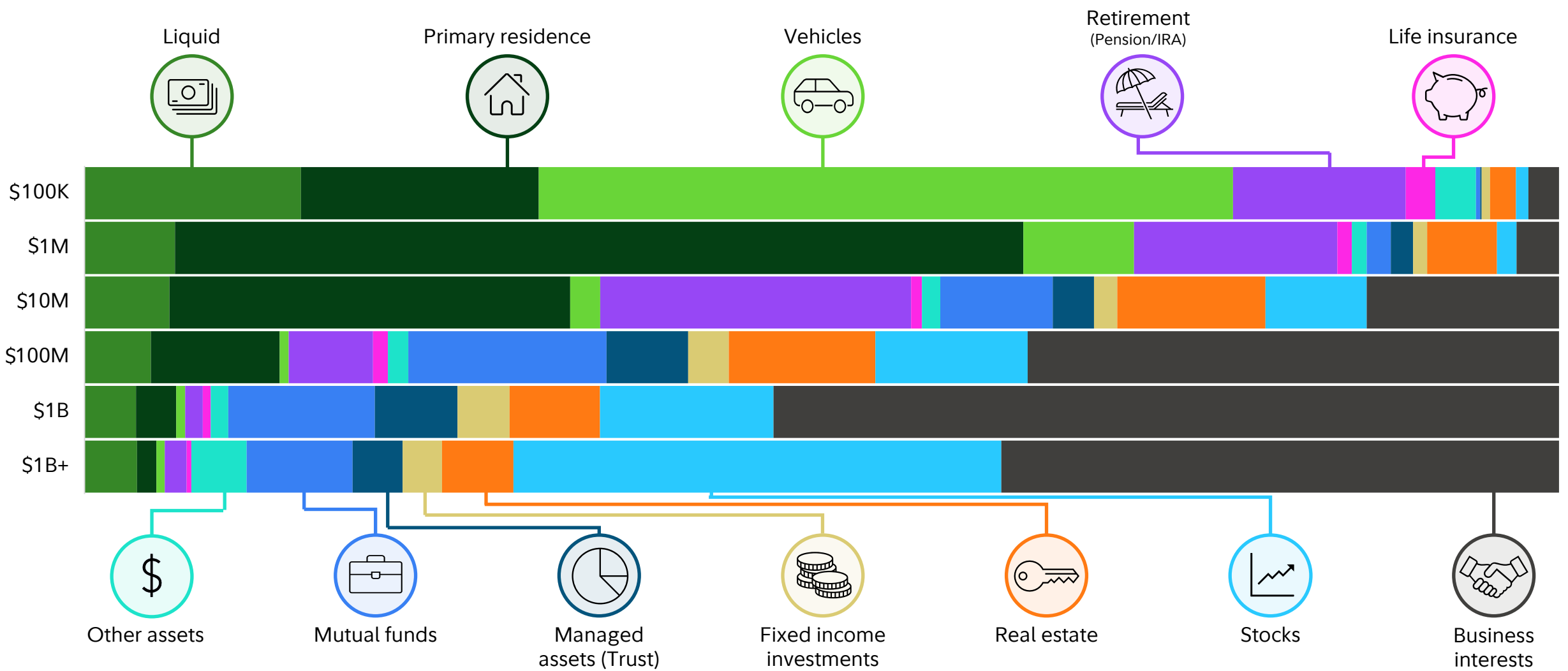
- Maximize charitable support
- Eliminate capital gains tax on donated shares
- Receive fair market value deduction (up to 30% of AGI)
- Able to grant more now—and later—with potential investment growth

The impact

Action	Sell & donate	Donate directly
Value of donated shares	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Capital gains tax paid	\$476,000	\$0
Amount to charity	\$1,524,000	\$2,000,000

What Assets Make Up Wealth?

2022 Survey of Consumer Finances Data



Why donate complex assets?



Assets often have a low-cost basis, making them more efficient to donate



Receive a fair market value tax deduction



Potentially minimize capital gains

Today's speakers



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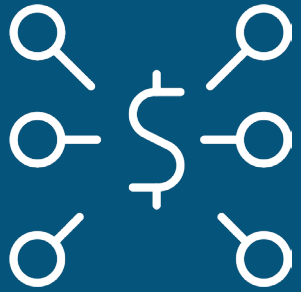
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Considerations for donating alternatives and complex assets

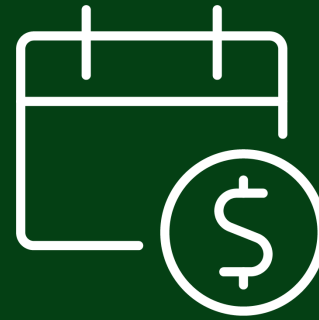
Key diligence points for the charity



Transferability



Valuation



Liquidity &
Timing



Risk
Management

Appraisal requirements

Need a “qualified independent appraisal” if over \$10,000

- Accredited by a national appraisal organization
- Regularly receives compensation for performing valuations
- Has met certain education and experience requirements
- Cannot be a party to the transaction

Appraisal “as of” the date of the contribution

- Only information “known or knowable” on or before the effective date can be considered in determining value
- Discounts as possible for lack of marketability and lack of control
- Factors affecting discounts include the existing market, imminent sale of the company, put option, voting rights, etc.

Appraisal must be made no earlier than 60 days prior to the gift up until the taxpayer’s filing deadline, with extensions.

Case studies on complex asset contributions

Poll

What is the biggest barrier for you in helping clients donate alternative or complex assets?

☐ Lack of familiarity with the process and potential opportunities

☐ Concerns about legal or tax complexity

☐ Difficulty identifying appropriate client situations

☐ Lack of support or resources to execute

☐ My clients haven't asked about it

Questions?

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