

## GIFTS FOR TODAY

*Gifts in Cash:* Cash donations are the easiest and most common charitable gift. As a registered nonprofit organization, a donation to AFCHS of up to 50% of your adjusted gross income is tax deductible. A donation in excess of 50% of your adjusted gross income can be carried over for five years.

*Gifts of Property:* Donation of appreciated property (such as mutual funds, securities, and real estate) carry extra tax benefits. You can deduct the fair-market value of property and you can also reduce the capital gains tax. You can deduct the fair-market value of the property up to 30% of your adjusted gross income; similar to a cash gift, any excess can be carried over for five years. The capital gains tax can be reduced as long as the property has been held for over one year.

*Gift Annuities:* A gift annuity is the transfer of a specific amount of money, securities, or real estate in exchange for a regular payment for the rest of your life and/or the life of a loved one. The charitable portion of the gift can be claimed as a deduction and a portion of each annuity payment is not taxed as

*Animal Friends Connection Humane Society is primarily a volunteer humane organization that is dedicated to finding permanent loving homes for the pets in our foster care network. We have a small dog/cat sanctuary but are otherwise non-sheltered. We are dedicated to providing humane education and promoting spaying and neutering to the public. We provide major medical and general care as well as spay and neuter to the animals in our foster home or rescue network and seek permanent homes for adoptable pets.*



You may donate to us directly or through United Way

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AFCHS is a nonprofit 501(c) (3) charitable organization serving San Joaquin County & surrounding areas.

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**Giving to  
Animal Friends  
Connection  
Humane Society  
can benefit YOU today  
and the animals for  
years to come!**



Website:  
www.animalfriendsconnect.org

## **ANIMAL FRIENDS CONNECTION NEEDS YOUR HELP.**

*Endowment Fund:* We rely on the generosity of our members to meet our day-to-day expenses, such as pet food, utility bills, and office supplies. By building a strong endowment fund, we will be more capable of meeting our operational expenses. Donating to the Endowment Fund will help give AFCHS a secure future.

*Building Fund:* We are proud of our education center and our Dog/Cat sanctuary, but we are still unable to meet the needs of our animal friends. We envision a new facility with modern amenities to help us care for the animals while looking for new loving homes. We have the plans, but we don't have the land or the capital. Can you help?

*To Help:* Please call our office at (209) 365-0535 for more information on how you can help, or use the attached envelope to make a donation. Or email us at [office@animalfriendsconnect.org](mailto:office@animalfriendsconnect.org)

## **THE ANIMALS WILL THANK YOU!**

ANIMAL HOTLINE:  
(209) 368-1761

- Charitable Pooled Income Fund (set up by the charity, enabling multiple donors to contribute)

## **GIFTS FOR TOMMORROW**



*Charitable Remainder Trusts:* With a Charitable Remainder Trust (or CRT), property or money is donated to AFCHS, but the donor continues to use the property and/or receive income from it while living. The beneficiaries of the trust can continue to receive the income and the charity receives the principal after a specified period of time. The donor reduces the capital gains tax on the donated assets, and also gets an income tax deduction for the fair market value of the remainder interest that the trust earned. In addition, the asset is removed from the estate, reducing subsequent estate taxes. While the contribution is irrevocable, the grantor may have some control over the way the assets are invested. CRTs come in three types:

- Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust (which pays a fixed dollar amount annually)
- Charitable Remainder Unitrust (which pays a fixed percentage of the trust's value annually)

bequests have been made, or a percentage thereof)

- Contingent Bequest (which designates a portion of your estate to go to AFCHS if and only if one or more of your named beneficiaries does not survive you)
- Remember to provide for your own pets. Keep them safe even after you are gone.

*Gifts of Life Insurance:* Life insurance policies often outlast their originally intended use: children begin to support themselves, mortgages are paid off, etc. You can designate AFCHS as the sole beneficiary or as the beneficiary of a pre-determined percentage of the policy. You can also take out a new life insurance policy and name AFCHS as the beneficiary, which will provide a larger gift-to-cost ratio, and the annual premium payments are tax deductible.

*Gifts as Bequests:* You can also make a donation to AFCHS through a bequest in your will. Having an attorney professionally draft a will ensures that your estate is distributed as you desire. There are several ways you can remember AFCHS in your will or by an amendment to your will if it is already drafted:

- Outright Bequest (which designates a specific amount of money, piece of property, or percentage of your estate)
- Residuary Bequest (which designates a the remainder of your estate after all outright