

Suggestions for Discovering Your Potential for Giving

Seldom are we aware of all that we have to give.

This worksheet is for inventory and investment for your personal areas of giving.

Income & Sacrifice: Analyze your projected income and spending patterns for the next three years and determine how much could be given and when. Alter your style of living in meaningful ways in order to give what you save or don't spend.	Possibilities	Amount
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
Giving Assets: What accumulated assets in your life could be given by transfer to the Church? What Income producing assets could be dedicated and donated? What assets could be sold so that their value could be permanently invested in ministry?	Possibilities	Amount
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
Time & Talent: Determine what you could do to earn extra resources that could be given during this period. Are there "gifts in kind" of services and/or materials you could give?	Possibilities	Amount
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
Resulting Three-Year Potential Commitment: (see family ideas below)		\$

For during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry.

2 Corinthians 8:2-4

Examples of Ways to "Give it Up and Give it Back"

Cutting Expenses by:	Weekly	Yearly	3 Years
Brown bagging your lunch	\$ 15	\$ 780	\$ 2,340
Eliminating one family meal out each week	\$ 80	\$ 4,160	\$ 12,480
Curtailing gift spending		\$ 250	\$ 750
Moderating Vacation plans		\$ 200	\$ 600
Reducing electronic/clothing purchases		\$ 1,500	\$ 4,500
Walking or taking the bus when possible		\$ 150	\$ 450
Sharing rides to and from work with others	\$ 15	\$ 780	\$ 2,340
Curtailing family movie outings		\$ 650	\$ 1,950
Donating rebate check proceeds		\$ 365	\$ 1,095
Giving up 2 mocha/latte drinks per week	\$ 10	\$ 520	\$ 1,560
What are some things that you can find to "Give Up and Give Back?"			\$ -
Prayerfully consider this when you Pledge			



Ways to Give Meaningful Gifts

The Leadership Team offers the following thoughts on creative giving strategies as you continue to prayerfully consider your gift to the Capital Campaign *Our Community, Our Future* at Holy Trinity.

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A Personal Commitment Guide

DELIBERATE with God

Prayerfully seek God's leadership. Ask God to shape your decisions. Walk through the doors God opens for you!

DISCOVER God's purpose for our parish and God's will for you

What is God calling our parish to do and to be? How is God working through our parish to affect people's lives? And how is God working through you to make a difference in ministry?

DISCUSS what you are learning with others

Include your family in the discovery and decision-making process. Talk with and learn from the experience and example of others.

DEFINE a sense of sacrifice in your life

What decisions and priorities could you change in your life to further invest yourself in your parish? Give in ways that make a difference to you.

DETERMINE your potential for giving

Think outside the income-stream box. Capital giving may include new strategies for giving. Inventory your blessings and your potential for increased giving.

DECIDE on a personal giving plan

There are multiple methods for giving in a capital program. Capital giving might include any combination of weekly, monthly, quarterly, annual, one-time, and/or asset transfer gifts. Put together your own personal giving plan for the next three years to help you follow through with your commitment.

DELIGHT in a new joy in giving

There is something freeing and deeper about the life of grace that we never experience until we learn to give as freely and as deeply as God gives to us.

Take advantage of making Planned Giving a part of your gifting to the Capital Campaign

Annual gifting supports our Capital Campaign and provides you with a charitable income tax deduction (up to a maximum of 50% of your adjusted gross income). To help you take advantage of this situation, consider the following opportunities:

Gifts of Cash

Gifts of cash are a simple and easy way for you to make a gift. Give by check or set up automatic "Bill Pay" with your bank.

Gifts of Insurance

A gift of your life insurance policy is an excellent way to make a gift. If you have a life insurance policy that has outlasted its original purpose, consider making a gift of your insurance policy.

Gifts of Stock, Bonds, Mutual Funds

Donating appreciated securities are an easy and tax-effective way for you to make a gift.

Gifts of Retirement Assets

Donating part or all of your unused retirement assets such as a gift from your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), pension, or other tax-deferred plan are excellent ways to make a gift.

Gifts of Retirement Assets

Donating appreciated real estate, such as a home, rental property, vacation property, land or commercial property can make a great gift.

Take advantage of significant tax savings by making a gift before December 31st.

A Year-End gift supports our Capital Campaign and provides you with a charitable income tax deduction.

How Do I Give Appreciated Assets?

The Archdiocese of Seattle Planned Giving Office is available to assist individuals in making near term planned gifts and deferred gifts to the Archdiocese, parishes and agencies through wills, gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts and other instruments. Also, consider attending a planned giving seminar by the Archdiocese in the area.

Planned Giving office Contact Information:

Address: 710 9th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Telephone: 800-752-5902

 plannedgiving@seattlearch.org

 <http://www.seattlearchpg.org/>

Please consult your personal tax professional for advice based on your particular financial situation.

Other Creative Strategies

Delayed Expenditures

Delaying purchases allows a person to significantly increase giving. The acquisition of major items such as automobiles, clothing, or trips, when postponed, allows substantial giving opportunities.

Cash Flow Gifts

A person can give significantly by giving smaller amounts at higher frequencies. Weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly giving allows large gifts to be reached in smaller steps.

Income Producing Assets

Interest, earned income from rental properties, or monies from other income producing assets can be dedicated and donated.