

Endow Iowa

Iowa residents can make a gift to the Guild through the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend

For Iowa residents, giving to the Genesis Guild through the through the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend is rewarding—in more ways than one. Your gift helps ensure the future of the Genesis Guild, and the Endow Iowa Tax Credit Program offers you generous tax incentives to make it easier for you to give more for less.

The Endow Iowa Tax Credit program was established to encourage building permanent endowments to benefit Iowa. Iowa taxpayers may apply for the tax credit if they make a gift to an endowed Fund that supports charitable activities in Iowa. Tax credits are 25% of the gifted amount with a limit of \$300,000 for an individual or \$600,000 for a couple (if both are Iowa taxpayers).

An individual or a business creating individual tax liability (partnership, LLC, S Corp., estate or trust) is eligible to receive a tax credit as long as they pay taxes in Iowa. A “C” Corporation may also receive a tax credit under this program. You can take the tax credit on your Iowa income tax return only. If you cannot use the entire credit this year, you can carry it over for up to five years. The tax credit is not transferable. If an Iowa tax credit is received for a gift, no Iowa income tax deduction for the same gift is allowed.

Stay tuned, as Illinois has similar legislation pending to introduce Endow Illinois. While it has not yet passed, it does have strong and growing support in the legislature.

How it works

Amount of Gift	\$10,000	
35% federal income tax deduction savings		\$3,500
25% Endow Iowa state tax credit savings		\$2,500
Total tax savings on \$10,000 gift		\$6,000
Actual cost of the gift	\$4,000	

The savings are even greater if a donor makes the same gift using appreciated securities instead of cash, because the donor avoids capital gains tax on the donated securities.

Additional info

<http://www.iowaeconomicdevelopment.com/Community/Philanthropic>