**IRA Charitable Rollover – Delta Chi Association**

Now a permanent part of the Federal Tax Code, the IRA Charitable Rollover provision permits individuals who are 70.5 years and older to make gifts of up to $100,000 from an IRA to a qualifying charity such as the Delta Chi Association without having to report the distributions as adjusted gross income (AGI) on their income tax return. The technical term for this transfer of funds from an IRA to a charity is a ***Qualified Charitable Distribution* (*QCD*).**

**What are the benefits?**

* By avoiding the inclusion of the IRA withdrawal as adjusted gross income, you may avoid higher taxes on Social Security benefits, higher Medicare premiums, higher tax brackets and a 3.8% surtax on investment income.
* If you are 72 or older, a QCD will count toward meeting your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for the tax year—reducing the amount of your taxable IRA withdrawals.
* If you elect the increased standard deduction on your tax return, a QCD from your IRA is the only way to secure tax savings from a charitable gift.
* If you are itemizing, charitable deductions cannot exceed 50% of your AGI. A gift from your IA will permit you to exceed that limitation.

**How does it work?**

* Distributions must be made from a traditional IRA --not a 401(k) or SEP IRA. Distributions must be payable directly from the IRA custodian to the Delta Chi Association.
* Contact your IRA custodian to tell them you wish to make a “Qualified Charitable Distribution”. Many custodians will provide you with a standard form to complete your gift or ask you to send them written instructions. Please indicate the amount of the gift and that the QCD should be made out to **The** **Delta Chi Association.** Checks should be mailed to The Delta Chi Association, P.O. Box 876, Ithaca, NY 14851-0876.
* Complete your custodian’s form or written instructions and return to your IRA custodian. **Be sure to ask them to include your name and address on the documentation that accompanies the check and to send you a copy of that documentation for tax purposes.**
* Once your IRA custodian receives your instructions, they will send your gift directly to us.
* Should you and your IRA custodian prefer to wire the funds, please contact Dorothy Wysocki at [wysocki@elevateims.com](mailto:wysocki@elevateims.com) or (607) 533-9200 x224 for instructions.
* Please note that because QCD’s use pre-tax assets, they do not qualify for a charitable deduction.
* **As always, you should consult with your tax advisor before taking any action.**

**Please contact Dorothy Wysocki, at Elevate IMS, if you have any questions or need assistance making a gift at or dwysocki@elevateIMS.com.**