## Example: Benefits of a Gift of Securities

| Gift of Appreciated Securities* |  |  |
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|  | Sell shares and donate cash | Donate shares directly |
| Current value of shares | \$50,000 | \$50,000 |
| Amount paid for shares | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |
| Capital gains | $\$ 40,000$ (\$50,000 current value - $\$ 10,000$ purchase price) | $\$ 40,000$ (\$50,000 current value - $\$ 10,000$ purchase price) |
| Tax on capital gains | $\$ 10,000$ $(\$ 40,000$ capital gains $\times 50 \%$ taxable gains $\times$ $50 \%{ }^{*}$ ) | $\square$ <br> (no capital gains tax payable on donated $\begin{array}{r}\text { shares) }\end{array}$ |
| Tax credit | $\$ 25,000$ $\left(\$ 50,000\right.$ donation $\left.\times 50 \%{ }^{* *}\right)$ | $\$ 25,000$ $\left(\$ 50,000\right.$ donation $\left.\times 50 \%{ }^{* *}\right)$ |
| Net tax savings from donation | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 15,000 \\ (\$ 25,000-\$ 10,000 \text { tax ib capital gains) } \end{array}$ | \$25,000 |
| Total tax savings from donation | $\$ 15,000$ $(\$ 25,000$ tax credit $-\$ 10,000$ tax on capital gains) | $\$ 35,000$ $(\$ 25,000$ tax credit $+\$ 10,000$ in tax on gain not paid $)$ |
| Net cost of gift | $\$ 35,000$ (\$50,000 gift - $\$ 15,000$ total tax savings) | $\$ 15,000$ <br> (\$50,000 gift - \$35,000 total tax savings) |

## *Scenario for illustrative purposes only

**Assumes gift made in Ontario at a marginal tax rate of 50\%

