

A Message from **Carrie McMahon**, MS, Executive Director at The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut

As the calendar continues to move forward, I want to share my immense gratitude for your support in 2024. This past year found us meeting so many of our friends and donors in person, on the phone, and even connecting via social media. We are blessed to have a great community of individuals in our Masonic Charity Foundation Family!

In this Winter edition, we will introduce you to one of our long-time donors, Art Tinsz, who shares his thoughts on the impact The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut makes every day and the benefits he received through his support. We are also proud to report on our funding of educational materials for children and families of our Home Health, Hospice & Palliative Care patients throughout the state, thanks to contributions from individuals like you. Your kindness truly touched every corner of our mission as Masonicare's Senior Leadership team and Health Center staff delivered gifts on Christmas Day to over 200 individuals who spent their holidays with us receiving care at the Masonicare Health Center.

We recently unveiled our Foundation Impact video, which can be viewed on our website at masonicare.org/mcf or by scanning the QR code on the enclosed envelope. In it, you'll hear from Art, as well as from our friend and donor Jane Massey, who recently passed and will be deeply missed by so many. We are blessed that Jane wanted to take part in the video, share her 'why' and inspire others to keep fighting the good fight every day.

Thanks to Art and Jane and others who believe in the Masonicare mission, it has allowed The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut to respond to emerging challenges and needs. Charitable gifts ensure that our work not only endures but thrives, even during difficult times.

As you reflect on the past year, take great pride in all that you helped accomplish. We are honored to have you by our side, working together to create a sense of comfort and security for all those who rely on us.

On behalf of the entire Masonic Charity Foundation team, I extend my heartfelt thanks. May this New Year be filled with peace, joy and the satisfaction of knowing that your generosity is truly making a difference in the lives of so many.



Carrie McMahon, MS
Executive Director



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A **charitable gift annuity (CGA)** is a contract between a donor and The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut whereby, in exchange for an irrevocable gift of cash or securities, the annuitant (typically the donor) receives a fixed income for life at a highly competitive rate while simultaneously supporting the mission of Masonicare.

Annuities can be single-life or two-life contracts and income rates depend upon the age(s) of the annuitant(s) at the time the gift is made. Donors also enjoy the tax incentives associated with their CGAs. Not only can a donor claim a charitable deduction with their gift annuities, but a portion of the fixed income payments received is tax free as well.

For more information about CGAs, or to receive a personalized sample annuity illustration, please contact Alison Lavelle, Associate Director of Philanthropy, at 203.679.5573, or alavelle@masonicare.org. Or simply check off the box requesting information about Charitable Gift Annuities on the envelope provided.

American Council on Gift Annuities

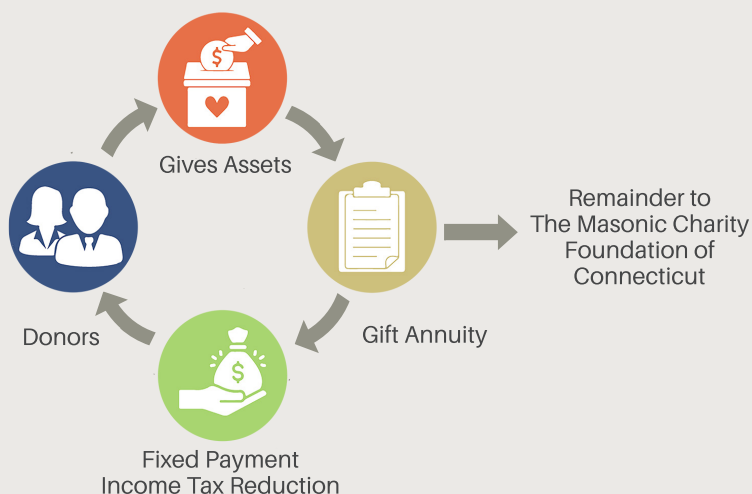
Single Life		Two Lives: Joint & Survivor	
Age	Rate	Ages	Rate
65	5.7%	65-65	5.0%
70	6.3%	65-70	5.2%
75	7.0%	70-70	5.5%
80	8.1%	70-75	5.8%
85	9.1%	80-80	6.9%
90	10.1%	80-85	7.3%
ACGA: Promoting Responsible Philanthropy		85-85	8.1%
		90-90	9.8%

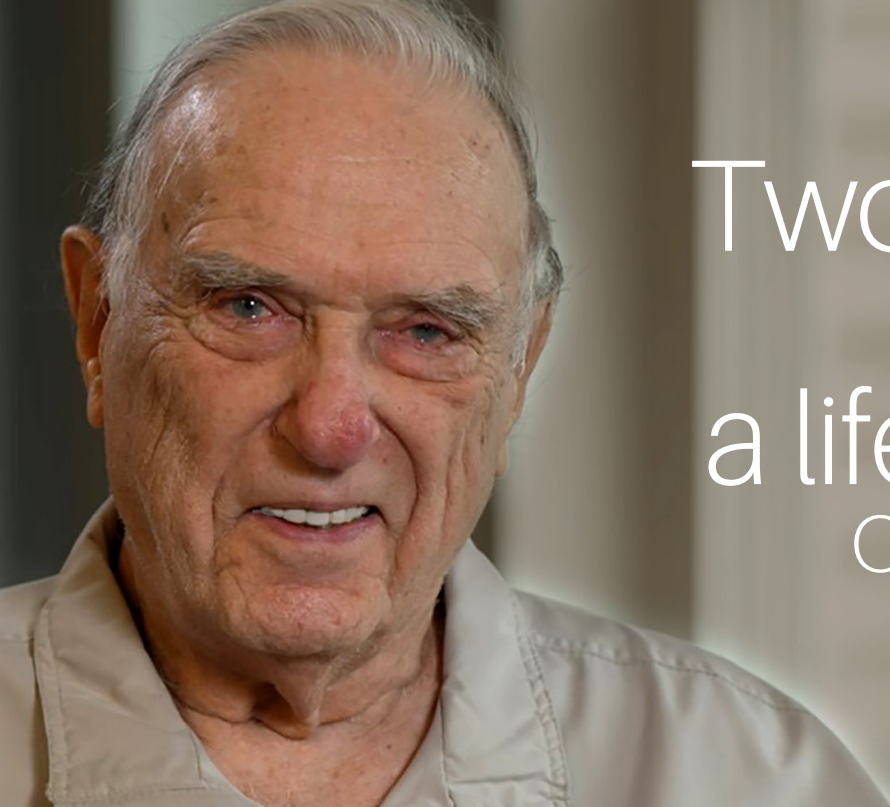
Rates accurate as of January 1, 2025

(Note: if a CGA is funded with appreciated securities, capital gains taxes may be reduced).

Example:

Eleanor D., age 82, contributes \$20,000 in cash and receives a lifetime annuity of \$1,700, of which \$1,249.50 is tax-free for approximately the first eight years. As the annuitant, she receives an income tax deduction of \$9,631.60, resulting in tax savings when she claims it. At Eleanor's passing, the gift annuity remainder goes to The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut.





Two decades of giving, a lifetime of impact.

Brother Arthur Tinsz celebrated a special anniversary with Masonicare in 2024. The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut was pleased to work with Art in opening his 20th Charitable Gift Annuity to benefit MCF.

“I think it’s one of the better places to donate to,” said Art, “because of what they provide in terms of care and what they do for the people that live at Masonicare.”

Since its introduction to Freemasons and Masonicare Residents, the Charitable Gift Annuity program has become hugely popular throughout the community. Couple Art’s affinity for Masonicare as a 50+ year Freemason with the enticing tax deduction benefit and strong interest rates (fixed based on a donor’s age when the annuity is established), you can see why it’s a popular giving vehicle.

“I’ve encouraged several of my friends and brethren to donate because of the financial benefits,” said Art, “and of course to support the Foundation.”

Art has seen Masonicare grow beyond his expectations. “I recall being a young Mason living in Manchester and hoping that the Masonic Home and Hospital (now Masonicare Healthcare Center) would be there, but boy has it expanded into what it is today.”

If you are considering a charitable gift annuity, we invite you to contact Alison Lavelle at 203.679.5573 to discuss options. Art will surely agree with your philanthropic choices.

“It’s not just the Masonicare facilities you’re supporting. It also extends far beyond the walls of the buildings and into the communities. I hope people will continue to take advantage of that by giving to the Masonic Charity Foundation.”





Leaving a Legacy!



The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut's Legacy Society is a group of benefactors and donors who have remembered us as part of their estate plan. These Legacy gifts will touch countless lives as The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut continues to enhance the quality of life for those we serve, now and for generations to come.

A prospective member of the Legacy Society must simply complete an "Intentions of the Heart" form promising a planned gift of \$10,000 or more by remembering MCF in your estate plan, or by naming MCF as a beneficiary of an investment account, IRA, insurance policy or bank account.

All Legacy Society members are invited each fall to our annual President's Reception where donors are recognized

and celebrated for their ongoing generosity to The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut. Leaving a Legacy is a profoundly impactful message to others of your belief in Masonicare's mission. Should you wish to remember The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut in your will, we invite you to contact The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut at 203-679-5555 so we may provide you a copy of our Intentions of the Heart form.

The Foundation is a non-profit of 501(c)(3) organization. **Our federal tax identification number is 06-1435920**

We wish to acknowledge those who have committed to supporting The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut through a planned gift.

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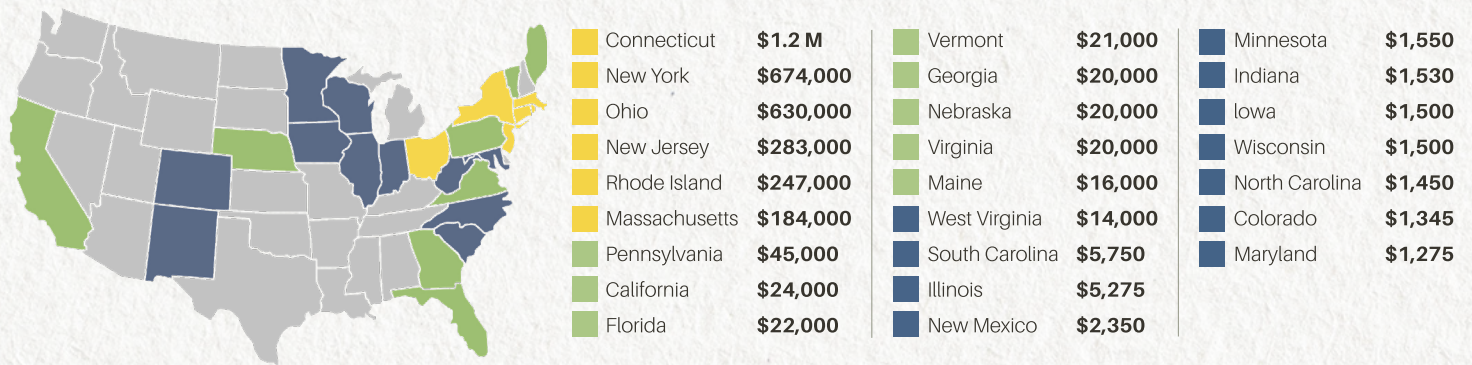
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Donation Report

Fiscal Year 2024

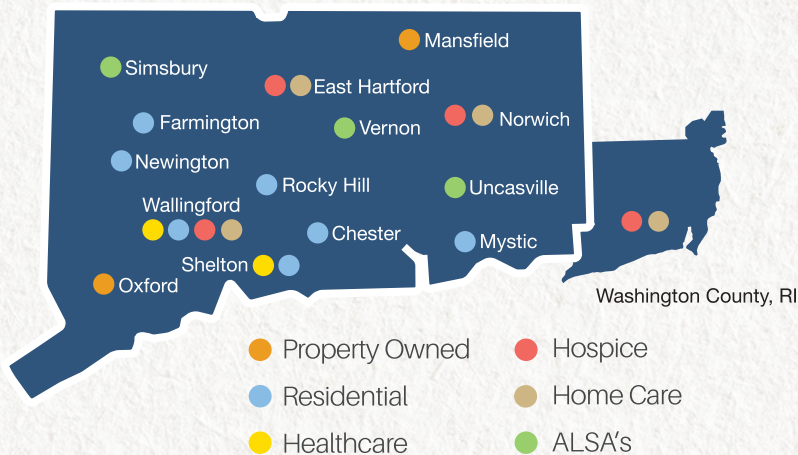
Donations by State

Care given to Masonicare residents and patients makes an impact across the country...



... and the impact made by those gifts helps patients across our community, like the Masonicare Home Health, Hospice & Palliative Care programs.

2025 Service Area



2023/2024 Impact

1079	Community Admissions
657	Continuum Admissions
191	Masonicare at Ashlar Village
164	The Apartments on Masonicare Avenue
116	Masonicare Health Center
100	Masonicare at Mystic
50	Masonicare at Chester Village
36	Welles Country Village

2,393

Home Health, Hospice & Palliative Care patients impacted by programs and services funded by **The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut** in 2023/2024.



We're circling back in 2025!



Wine, Beer & Bourbon Tasting

Friday, May 16, 2025

Knapp Auditorium at Ashlar Village

masonicare.org/2025wine



Golf & Pickleball Outing

Monday, August 4, 2025

The Farms Country Club, Wallingford

masonicare.org/2025golf



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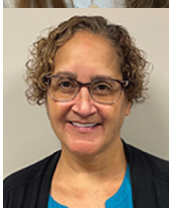
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The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut is rated at 96%, 4-Stars, with Charity Navigator, the highest rating!

This demonstrates our commitment to accountability and transparency, and confirms that we pursue our mission in a fiscally responsible way.

What is the rating scale for Charity Navigators and what do the ratings mean?

Score	Assessment
90+	Great
75-89	Good
60-74	Needs Improvement
50-59	Poor

More than 225,000 charities are rated by Charity Navigator, the 'report card' for the nonprofit sector. The metrics they offer inform donors not just where their dollars are going but ensure that they are being put to the best possible use in supporting the organization's mission.

We encourage our donors to look up organizations they give their generous contributions to at **charitynavigator.org** and see how they rate.

To Donate



*“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself
in the service of others.”*

— Mahatma Gandhi



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The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut, serving...

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Masonicare at Mystic | The Apartments on Masonic Ave | Masonicare at Chester Village | Masonicare at Greenridge Place
Masonicare at Middlewoods of Farmington | Masonicare at Middlewoods of Newington
Masonicare at Crosby Commons | Masonicare at Wesley Heights | Masonicare Home Health | Masonicare Hospice & Palliative Care

For more information on including us in your Estate Planning or Charitable Gift Annuities,
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