# CENTRAL INDIANA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC. POLICY FOR GIFTS OF REAL PROPERTY

Approved by the Boards of Directors of: Central Indiana Community Foundation, Inc. December 8, 2016 Legacy Fund, Inc. December 6, 2016 The Indianapolis Foundation, Inc. December 8, 2016

# I. PURPOSE.

As a trusted philanthropic partner, the mission of Central Indiana Community Foundation, Inc. and its affiliates, Legacy Fund, Inc. and The Indianapolis Foundation, Inc. (collectively, "CICF"), is to inspire, support and practice philanthropy, leadership and service. The purpose of this policy is to govern the acceptance of gifts of real property to best serve the interests of CICF and its donors, as well as to provide guidance to professional advisors in completing gifts of real property. The purpose of the gift must be charitable. CICF must ensure that its donors' wishes will be fulfilled through the acceptance of any and all gifts.

# II. GENERAL GUIDELINES.

A. Gift Review. Proposed gifts of real property, whether current or deferred, will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis in accordance with this Policy as well as CICF's Gift Acceptance Policies and Procedures. The Vice President for Development and Philanthropic Services and/or the Chief Financial Officer, with the assistance of the Director of Charitable Gift Planning and Legal Affairs and appropriate staff, will have the overall authority to handle inquiries, negotiate with the donors, assemble documentation, retain appraisers, surveyors, realtors and other technical consultants, and execute agreements on behalf of CICF. Gifts of real property will be accepted only after the requirements of CICF's policies and procedures have been satisfied and with the prior approval of the gift acceptance committee. CICF may refuse any proposed gift of real property that is judged not to be in the best interests of CICF or the donor.

B. Gift Parameters. Generally, a gift of real estate should be worth \$100,000 or more to be worthwhile. (Property worth less than that should have enough value to cover direct costs of the sale as well as the cost of CICF staff time in managing the property and sale process.)

C. Evaluation of Potential Gifts.

1. *Types of Interest*. CICF may accept a variety of interests<sup>11</sup> in property. CICF will not accept time shares.

2. Liens, Mortgages and Encumbrances. Property which is subject to liens, unpaid mortgages, deeds of trust, judgment liens, unpaid taxes or assessments, mechanics' liens, leases or other encumbrances will be accepted only in exceptional circumstances. If accepted, property which is subject to encumbrances will be evaluated as a "bargain sale" (a bargain sale is an arrangement whereby a donor offers property to CICF for an amount less than its current fair market value).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Interests that may be considered include a full interest, partial interest, life estate, or leaseholds.

3. *Property and Report Form*. Upon initial inquiry, potential donors will be asked to complete a Real Property Disclosure Form and return it to CICF with appropriate maps and documentation. (See Attachment 1 for the Real Property Disclosure Form).

4. *Field Evaluation*. Following an offer of a gift of real property, a member of CICF staff or an authorized representative will visit the property.

5. *Market Evaluation*. Whenever practicable, arrangements will be made to have a realtor analyze the property to evaluate the existence of a market for such property.

6. *Documentation*. CICF will review any relevant documentation in consideration of the proposed gift which may include, but is not limited to: a qualified appraisal, environmental audits, evidence of title, the Property Disclosure Form, proposed transfer instruments, and any proposed agreements or arrangements pertaining to the property.

7. Sale or Liquidation. It should appear reasonably certain that the real property interest proposed to be transferred to CICF will be sold or liquidated for a fair value and proceeds received into a component fund of CICF within a specific time frame, preferably less than five years.

In the alternative, it should appear reasonably certain that the real property interest proposed to be transferred to CICF will generate annual income sufficient to provide a reasonable rate of return for the component fund into which it is received.<sup>2<sup>2</sup></sup> For purposes of this policy, the definition of "a reasonable rate of return" shall be determined by CICF, in its sole discretion. The President/CEO (in consultation with the Vice President for Development and Philanthropic Services and the Chief Financial Officer) shall have the authority to determine whether the requirements of this paragraph have been met.

If the property listed on Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 8283 is sold, liquidated, or otherwise disposed of within three years of receipt, per the IRS, CICF is required to file IRS Form 8282 ("Donee Information Return"), unless the gift was valued below \$500 or was distributed for charitable purposes. See Treas. Reg. 1.6050L-1.

8. Administrative and Investment Fee Schedule. Prior to accepting a gift of real property, CICF will negotiate with the prospective donor an appropriate fee schedule for the administration and investment of the component fund that will receive the gift. If the transferred interests have not been liquidated or sold within five years from the date of the initial gift, and if CICF determines that annual distribution income is insufficient to produce a reasonable rate of return for the recipient component fund, CICF may re-negotiate with the donor and impose a higher fee schedule on the recipient component fund.

9. *Tax Deductibility*. The allowable tax deduction for gifts of real property will be subject to the IRS rules for real property and bargain sales, if relevant. CICF will provide the donor with any substantiation required for the donor to obtain a tax deduction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Treasury Regulations require that CICF assure that its funds produce a reasonable rate of return. This can be particularly important for property held in designated funds, because while this requirement is applied based on the aggregate performance of most funds, it is made on a fund-by-fund basis for designated funds. See Treas. Reg. 1.170A-9(f)(11)(v)(F) and 1.170A-9(f)(13)(x). See Hoyt, *Legal Compendium for Community Foundations* 90.

10. Deferred Gifts of Real Property. Upon becoming aware that CICF will or may receive a gift containing land under any Will that has been admitted to probate or any trust arrangement, the Vice President for Development and Philanthropic Services or the Director of Charitable Gift Planning and Legal Affairs Counsel of CICF will ask the executor, trustee, or other legal representative to conduct an environmental assessment similar to the one that CICF would require if it were to receive an inter-vivos gift. If the executor, trustee, or other legal representative has not made the assessment and if it does not do so, CICF should arrange an audit or decline to accept the gift.

*Note: Excess Business Holdings.* Gifts of business interests to a donor advised fund may raise the issue of excess business holdings under the Pension Protection Act and Internal Revenue Code section 4943. Excess business holdings exist when the holdings of a donor advised fund together with the holdings of disqualified persons exceed 20% of the voting stock of the incorporated business, 20% of the profit interest of a partnership or joint venture, or 20% of a beneficial interest of a trust or similar entity. In such a case, CICF must divest of the excess business holdings within a period not exceeding five years. Ownership of unincorporated businesses that are not substantially related to the fund's purposes is also prohibited. (Generally, holding companies, the sole asset of which is real estate, should not constitute a business interest.)

# IV. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DONOR.

A. Property Disclosures. The donor is responsible for completing the Real Property Disclosure Form and for providing CICF with accurate information of all existing real property costs, including but not limited to taxes and insurance premiums.

B. Appraisal. The donor will be responsible for obtaining a qualified appraisal complying with IRS regulations for the purposes of establishing the value of the gift for federal income tax purposes, including the preparation of Form 8283 ("Noncash Charitable Contributions"). See Treas. Reg. 1.170A-13(c).

C. Environmental Assessment. The donor must obtain, at the donor's expense, an environmental assessment satisfactory to CICF. No property will be accepted if there is a likelihood of any liability which could attach to CICF as a result of its taking title to the property.

D. Evidence of Title. The donor must furnish CICF with evidence of title which shows that title to the property is free and clear except for current real property taxes and restrictions of record which would not create any economic burden on CICF.

E. Transfer Instruments. It is the donor's responsibility to prepare the deed and other instruments which are necessary to transfer the property to CICF.

F. Remainder Interests. For all proposed gifts of remainder interests made known to CICF during the donor's life, the donor is responsible for providing CICF with accurate information for any inquiries made about the property before the possessory interest passes to CICF.

G. Acceptance Agreement. Prior to or upon acceptance of the gift, the donor and CICF must agree in writing to all the terms of the gift which will include the following (See Attachment 2 for a Sample Agreement for the Terms for a Gift of Real Property):

1. *No Material Restrictions*. Prior to or upon transfer of title to CICF, the donor and CICF will sign an agreement (approved by legal counsel) stating the terms of the gift, which must specify that there are no restrictions on CICF's right to use or convey the property.

2. *Expenses Associated with the Gift.* Prior to acceptance of the property, CICF and the donor must agree in writing on arrangements for paying expenses associated with the property, such as commissions, real property taxes, utilities, insurance, maintenance costs, or potential Unrelated Business Income Tax (UBIT).<sup>3°</sup> Generally, CICF will not advance funds from its Operating Fund for the payment of such expenses.

3. Administrative Costs. Prior to acceptance of the real property, CICF and the donor must agree on an appropriate fee schedule for the administration and investment of the component fund that will receive the gift. The donor should provide adequate assurances that the affected fund will have adequate cash to pay any administrative fees, either from the gift itself, income generated by the gift or from further contributions from the donor.

H. Expenses in Preparation of Gift. The donor is responsible for all expenses incurred during the preparation of the transfer of real property.

I. Discuss Gift with Professional Advisors. The donor is encouraged to and responsible for discussing all benefits, liabilities, and tax consequences derived from the gift of real property with their professional advisors before the gift is made.

J. Discuss Gift with Family or Interested Parties. Donors will be encouraged to discuss contemplated gifts of real property with their family or other interested parties before the gift is made.

VIII. WHAT CICF WILL NOT DO.

A. Property Interests. CICF will not accept interests in time shares, act as trustee of the property or hold any mortgages secured by the property.

B. Donor Expenses. Except in extraordinary circumstances, CICF's Operating Fund will not pay for legal assistance, appraisals or other services on behalf of the donor. In general, the expenses will be deducted from the proceeds of the sale or otherwise charged against the fund holding the gift.<sup>44</sup>

C. Taxes. CICF will not seek exemption from real property taxes for real property.

D. Corroboration of Value. CICF will not establish or corroborate the value of any property for the purpose of substantiating the donor's income tax charitable deduction.

E. Best Interest. CICF will not accept any gift that would not be in the best interest of CICF or the donor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Property that is debt financed and produces an income may incur UBIT. If such property is accepted, the donor should provide adequate assurances that the affected fund will have adequate cash to pay any UBIT that may be incurred by holding or through the sale of such property.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Discharge of such expenses by CICF may be treated as taxable income if the payment of the liability would not have given rise to a deduction. See 26 U.S.C. 108. Discharge of such expenses may also create a material restriction on the gift. See Treas. Reg. 1.507-2(a)(8)(iv)(B). See also Hoyt, *Legal Compendium for Community Foundations* 69-70, n.356.

# Attachment 1 Central Indiana Community Foundation Real Property Disclosure Form

I. General Information		
Owner(s)	Phone	
Address		
Property Interest Owned		
Property Interest Being Gifted (if different than above)		
Property location		
Land area (acres or sq. ft.)		
Building area (sq. ft. each floor)		
Zoning		
Land Usage: Present		
Land Usage: Past		
Replacement cost of building		
Current property insurance coverage		
Date of acquisition/form of acquisition		
Current cost basis (includes improvements)		
Principal balance of mortgage	_Current fair market value	
Assessed value for real estate taxes		
Land value	_Building value	
Most recent appraisal (date)	_Appraised value	
Appraiser		

Please complete this form to the best of your ability based on your knowledge of the property.

Occupancy status after transfer of title to charity:

Unimproved (no buildings) Unoccupied (building, but no occupant) Occupied (building with occupants)

Please check the box and provide any additional information you are aware of for any of the following items listed.

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н.	Title/	<b>/Zoning</b> Title	Additional Information
	[]	Zoning variances, violations of special permits	
	[]	Zoning violations Restrictions or easements	
	[]	Survey available	
III.	Cond	ition of Building	Additional Information
	[]	Foundations/slab	
	[]	Basement/water/dampness/sump pump	
	[]	Roof Leaks	
	[]	General structural	
	[]	UFFI (formaldehyde insulation)	
	[]	Asbestos	
	[]	Lead Paints	
	[]	Termites/ants/pests	
	[]	Swimming pool	
	[]	Radon	
	[]	Building systems	
		[] Plumbing	
		[] Electrical	
		[] Heating	
		[] Air conditioning	
		[] Hot water	
		[] Water supply	
		[] Sewage; type	
		[] other fixtures	
IV.		al/Condominium/Cooperative	Additional Information
	[]	Building Systems	
		[] Leases	
		[] Rental arrears	
		[ ] Last month's rent/security deposit	
	[]	Common area fees in arrears	
	[]	Building or sanitary code violations	
	[]	Operating/capital budget	

[] Operating/capital budget

#### V. Environmental Additional Information Α. History of property Property has prior or current use for industrial [] commercial, agricultural, manufacturing, waste disposal or any other non-residential purposes Β. Condition of property Stressed or denuded vegetation or unusual [] barren areas [] Discoloration, oil sheens, or foul/unusual odors In water [] Storage drums [] Above or underground storage tanks, vents or filler pipes [] Evidence of oil or other chemicals in soil [] **Evidence of PCBs** [] Evidence of toxic air emissions C. Adjacent properties Properties adjacent or close to subject have [] Conditions requiring "yes" answer to any questions In (A) or (B) above Flood plain/wetlands/drainage [] [] Endangered plants or wildlife Are you aware of any other information concerning any part of the land or buildings which might affect the decision of a buyer or affect value of property or affect use by buyer?

### VI. Property Expense Budget

To hold this property as an asset of Central Indiana Community Foundation, the following income and expenses are anticipated:

A.	Income	2		Annual	
	a.	Rent			_
	b.	Other			_
Β.	Expense	es			
	a.	Real estate taxes:			
		First payment due	date		
		Second payment due	date		
	b.	Utilities:		Monthly Amount	
		[] Gas			
		[ ] Oil			
		[] Electric			
		[] Water/Sewer			
		[] Other			

C. Services:	Additional Information
[] Caretaking/Property Management	
[] Landscaping	
[] Heating/cooling service contract	
[ ] Snow removal	
[ ] Pool Services	
[ ] Common area charges	
[] Security	
[] Other	
D. Maintenance/Repairs	
E. Insurance	
Total Expenses	
Net Income (loss)	
Additional Information on Sections II through VI	

### VIII. Acknowledgments

Owner(s) hereby acknowledge that the information set forth above is true and accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge

Owner

VII.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Owner

Development Central Indiana Community Foundation 615 N. Alabama Street, Ste. 119 Indianapolis, IN 46204 317-634-2423, ext. 509, 319 or 510

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# Attachment 2 Sample Agreement for the Terms for a Gift of Real Property

[DATE]

Mr. Robert A. MacPherson, Vice President of Development Central Indiana Community Foundation 615 N. Alabama Street, Ste. 119 Indianapolis, IN 46204-1498

Re: Gift of Real Estate Located at [ADDRESS]

Dear Mr. MacPherson:

In connection with my irrevocable gift of the property listed above to [CICF/IF/LF], please be advised:

- 1. It is likely that the property will be sold or liquidated for a fair value and proceeds received into a component fund at [CICF/IF/LF] within approximately five years or less.
- 2. I agree that [CICF/IF/LF] will exclusively control the sale, including negotiating the sale price.
- 3. The resulting donor advised fund will be created with the net proceeds of the sale, less all costs incurred by [CICF/IF/LF] in accepting, carrying, and disposing of the property.
- 4. If [CICF/IF/LF] has not sold the property within six months of accepting it, I will make a charitable contribution to cover costs of maintaining the property at that time and every six months thereafter. Examples of these maintenance expenses include but are not limited to insurance, taxes, utilities, yard maintenance and repairs.
- 5. There are no material restrictions which would prevent [CICF/IF/LF] from freely and effectively using or conveying the property in furtherance of its charitable purposes.
- I acknowledge that I am responsible for obtaining a qualified appraisal complying with IRS regulations for the purposes of establishing the value of the contribution, and that if the property is sold, liquidated, or otherwise disposed of within three years of its receipt by [CICF/IF/LF], [CICF/IF/LF] is required to file IRS Form 8282 ("Donee Information Return").

Sincerely,

[DONOR] Current Owner and Donor

Agreed to and Accepted by: [CICF/IF/LF]

# By\_

[NAME, TITLE]