Dancers’ Resource Fund

CTFD has established the Dancers’ Resource Fund in order to recognize the support received from our many clients and alumni. This enables dancers to assist in maintaining the vital programs and services which helped guide them into their successful post-performance careers. CTFD alumnus Sam Bennett was one of the first to give to this initiative. Recalling his experience, Sam states that, “I’ve been there, making the transition, and I know how wonderful it is to have the support of CTFD. I want to give back so that these services will continue for other dancers.”

CTFD would like to thank Sam and the following generous clients and alumni who have donated to the organization this year:

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Sono Osato Luncheon

Sono Osato, Victor Elmaleh & Mikhail Baryshnikov
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Donors Seeing More Benefits from Giving Securities over Cash

As the holiday season approaches, donors all over the country will be giving to their favorite organizations—and, according to THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, they are increasingly giving in the form of securities like stock, mutual funds, and other investments.

Driving this trend is the desire to give in the most effective way possible: appreciated stock allows generous donors like Gerry Golub, who will contribute “tens of thousands of dollars” this year to charities including Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and Research for the Cure Foundation, to claim a deduction against his federal income taxes for the current market value of the shares. He and the charities he contributes to also won’t owe any capital-gains tax on the profit from the shares. As Mr. Golub says, “It’s an opportunity for people who have done well in the stock market to count their blessings” and “help them give back” to worthy causes.

According to a recent analysis by Fidelity Investments, 10 to 20 million American households could potentially save between $2.2 billion and $4.5 billion a year in taxes by donating appreciated securities rather than giving cash directly to charities.

When deciding which shares to donate, donating those with unrealized long-term gains (stocks owned for more than one year) typically allow individuals to deduct the shares’ full market value.