



COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS (CITC)

Donations of \$1,000 and over are eligible for a tax credit or refund worth 50% of the gift amount. The Community Investment Tax Credit (CITC) program provides a tax credit worth 50% of your gift, enabling you to double your donation. Offered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, this program helps expand access to dignified, affordable year-round housing. Gifts of nearly \$2.5M have realized \$5M in donations for Island Housing Trust.

GIFT EXAMPLE

A donor wants to give \$5,000. With CITC, the donor is able to double their gift to \$10,000 and receive a tax credit or refund of \$5,000 on the tax return for the year in which the donation was made. The impact to IHT is doubled, but the 'out of pocket' expense remains the same once the tax credit or refund is received.

WHO CAN DONATE THROUGH CITC?

- **Individuals, foundations, and businesses** can support IHT using CITC credits.
- **Massachusetts** residents, businesses, and foundations receive a tax credit that can be directly applied to their tax return.
- **Out-of-state** residents, businesses, and foundations receive a refund by completing an out-of-state Massachusetts tax return.

WHAT KINDS OF GIFTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT?

- **Cash (or equivalent) and IRA gifts qualify;** stock gifts do not. Donor-advised funds (DAF) gifts are eligible, with the credit benefitting the DAF, not the donor.
- **Gifts of \$1,000 or more** are eligible to receive tax credits.
- **Checks, online donations (ihtmv.org/citc), and ACH/ wire transfers** are acceptable donation methods.

WHEN SHOULD DONATIONS BE MADE?

- **Credits are available on a first-come, first-served basis with preference given to multi-year pledges.** Pledge payments can be made at any time of year. It is recommended that one-time donations be made early in the year to secure tax credits.

QUESTIONS?

We want to make supporting IHT as easy as possible. Please email IHT Advancement Director, Erin Hepfner, at ehepfner@ihtmv.org or call (508) 693-1117 ext. 8.