

Land Donation Fact Sheet

As a qualified non-profit conservation organization, accredited through the national Land Trust Alliance, Mainspring can accept gifts of land or interests of land. These gifts are tax deductible.

Read more below about land donation options that may be right for you.

BARGAIN SALE

A bargain sale allows the landowner to receive income for the sale of the property, but the sales price is below market value. The difference between the full market value and the sale price is considered a charitable contribution.

DONATE FOR CONSERVATION

This option works for many landowners who are interested in receiving the charitable contribution benefits of the full market value of their property.

Mainspring can then accept the real estate and conserve it forever.

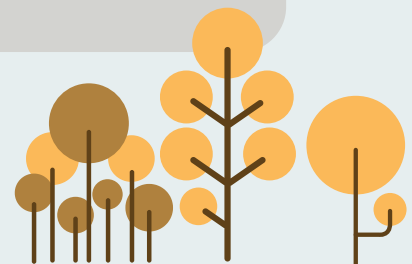
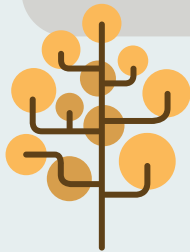
DONATE A TRADE LAND

Some landowners will donate property that has few or no conservation values, with the understanding that it will be sold in the future to help preserve significant conservation properties elsewhere to further Mainspring's mission.

RESERVED LIFE ESTATE

A donation of land can be combined with a reserved life estate, in which the landowners continue to live on the land until their death.

This is a useful option for landowners who want to see their land protected and who have no heirs, or heirs who do not wish to use the land.



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