

# personal trusts



A trust can be a useful tool in many situations. It can be useful in tax planning, in estate management (to avoid probate), to manage funds for the benefit of a loved one who may not be able to manage the funds properly, or simply to ensure that your funds are used as you wish after you are no longer able to watch over them. Some examples of personal trusts managed by our trust department are described below.

## Irrevocable Trusts

Irrevocable trusts, including testamentary trusts, which are established through a will, can be effective tools in estate planning.

## Irrevocable Life Insurance Trusts

An irrevocable life insurance trust may be a useful tool in estate planning by providing nontaxable funds to meet estate needs when other assets are nonliquid.

## Revocable Living Trusts

A flexible way to ensure your assets are managed in a professional way, for the benefit of those you choose (including yourself). You can determine how and when beneficiaries will receive assets from the trust, while the assets are managed and records kept by the trustee. These trusts become irrevocable at death and continue to be administered according to your wishes.

## Charitable Trusts

There are many ways to provide for charities while retaining some financial benefits for yourself or for a beneficiary. The benefits for both the grantor and the charity can be substantial. Charitable trusts are a great way to leave a legacy after you are gone or while you are still alive.



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## Supplemental and Special Needs Trust

A supplemental needs trust is set up to provide benefits to a family member with special needs without disrupting that person's eligibility to receive assistance under government needs-based programs. The supplemental needs trust can provide for such things as education, counseling, recreation and comforts beyond the basic necessities covered by public assistance.

Other services included with these types of trusts include: paying bills and expenses according to the terms of the trust, preparing trust tax returns, safekeeping important documents and other valuables which are owned by the trust, keeping detailed records of interest and dividends, keeping a detailed transaction history and providing regular statements.

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