## **RETAINED LIFE ESTATE** Let your real estate assets create your lasting legacy.

Make a gift of real estate during your lifetime, and enjoy immediate and significant tax benefits while continuing to live in your home for life.





From Top: UCLA students and members of the American Society of Civil Engineers work on the model of a steel bridge for a national competition.

Wind ensemble at the UCLA School of the Arts and Architecture.

## **BENEFITS**

- This arrangement allows you to make a gift with a large philanthropic impact without disbursing any cash.
- You retain full use of your property during your lifetime.

## TAX ADVANTAGES

Many donors find that establishing a retained life estate arrangement provides them with substantial tax breaks:

- Receive an immediate charitable income tax deduction.
- You can claim this tax deduction up to 30% of your adjusted gross income (AGI).
- Any unused deduction may be carried forward in subsequent tax years, for up to 5 additional years.
- Avoid capital gains tax on highly appreciated real estate.
- The property is removed from your taxable estate.

## **HOW IT WORKS**

- Establish a retained life estate arrangement with The UCLA Foundation, in which you deed your home, vacation home or farm to UCLA while retaining full use of your property for life.
- Receive a sizable charitable income tax deduction.
- Retain homeownership obligations, such as maintaining the property, paying taxes and insurance premiums.
- After your lifetime, the property passes to The UCLA Foundation which will use the proceeds of the sale to support the program or department of your choice.



**Dr. Peyman Benharash**, UCLA Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery, with students of the David Geffen School of Medicine.



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