

## SELF DIRECTED IRA



The Internal Revenue Service allows for a wide variety of investments in a self directed Individual Retirement Account (IRA).

You may benefit from a self directed IRA at HomeStar Trust Services, if you want to invest in the following:

- Real estate
- Closely held corporations
- Promissory notes

There are important steps that must be followed and certain restrictions that apply.

Please contact HomeStar Trust Services for more information or to schedule a consultation.



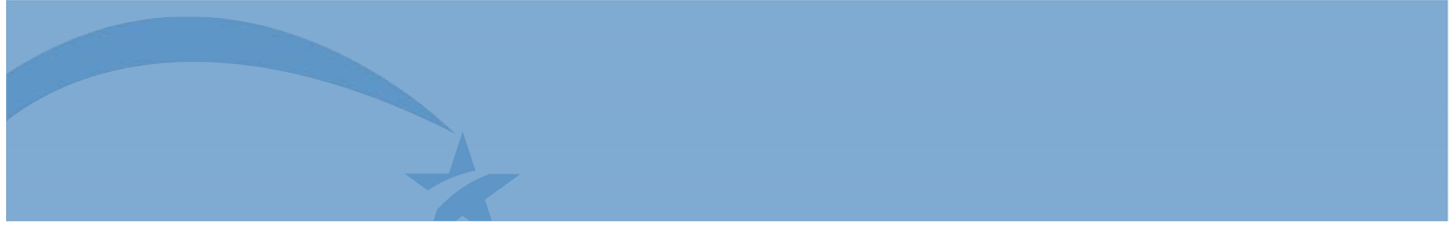
### Frequently Asked Questions

On the back is a question and answer segment. If you have additional questions or any concerns, please contact HomeStar Trust Services.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:



**Q: Can I own real estate in my IRA?**

*A: Yes, the IRS does allow investment real estate to be owned in an IRA. HomeStar Trust Services can act as your custodian to hold real estate in an IRA account.*

**Q: Can I place real estate I currently own into my IRA?**

*A: Your IRA may not purchase real estate from you or another disqualified party.*

**Q: So I open an IRA with HomeStar Trust Services and direct you to purchase real estate. What happens next?**

*A: As your custodian, we collect rents, pay expenses such as real estate taxes, insurance, utility bills and maintenance. You act as a property manager and deal with the day-to-day non-financial aspects of the real estate.*

**Q: Can I reinvest the income in the IRA?**

*A: Yes, as income accumulates in the account, you can instruct us to purchase additional real estate or other investments as allowed by law.*

**Q: Are there restrictions on the kind of investments I can hold in my IRA?**

*A: Yes, the Internal Revenue Service does prohibit certain types of investments in IRA accounts. Items such as collectibles, life insurance and private use real estate are prohibited. Investment real estate and closely held stocks are examples of allowable investments.*

**Q: Can I take out a mortgage to purchase real estate in my IRA?**

*A: Although Internal Revenue Service does allow for this, there are significant tax consequences to having mortgaged properties in an IRA. HomeStar Trust Services does not handle these types of IRA transactions.*



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