

Ways to Give



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Vancouver Foundation offers a variety of giving options. Whether it's setting up your own endowment fund, contributing to an existing fund, or making a legacy gift, we work with you to meet your financial needs and your personal philanthropic goals. Here are a few of the most popular ways to give:

Cheque/Credit Card

This is the simplest type of charitable gift. For donations over \$25 you will receive a charitable donation tax receipt for the year in which the contribution was made. Please note we do not accept cash donations.

Publicly-Traded Securities

A gift of publicly-traded securities is the transfer of ownership of stocks or bonds to Vancouver Foundation. If you own shares that have increased in value, 50 per cent of the capital gains are taxable. However, if you donate these shares in-kind to Vancouver Foundation, the entire gain is tax-exempt. Contact Vancouver Foundation to initiate your gift using our "Authorization and Direction Form."

Deferred Giving Options

There are also ways to give to Vancouver Foundation at a later date:

Charitable Bequest

Leave a bequest to Vancouver Foundation in your Will. Vancouver Foundation will provide an official receipt for income tax purposes to your estate when it receives the bequest. Bequests can be a specific dollar amount or a residual gift (the entire residue or portion of your estate). Bequests can be given either outright or as a contingent gift. Vancouver Foundation has prepared a document with sample clauses for your Will that your lawyer can use as a guide. Call our Donor Services department at 604.688.2204 for more information.

Life Insurance

You can provide a sizeable future gift to the Foundation at an affordable current cost, without reducing what you give to family and friends through your estate. Vancouver Foundation can be named as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy. If you designate Vancouver Foundation as the irrevocable beneficiary or owner and beneficiary of your life insurance policy, we will be able to provide you with an official receipt for income tax purposes for the amount of premium you pay each year.

RRSP/RRIF/TFSA

Name Vancouver Foundation as the beneficiary of your Registered Retirement Savings Plan, Registered Retirement Income Fund or Tax Free Savings Account and make a significant donation, while saving your Estate from paying probate tax on the proceeds.

Giving Option for American Donors

Friends of Vancouver Foundation is a separate legacy entity, based in the State of Washington, that can accept donations from American individuals, charities and corporations and issue tax receipts that can be used for American tax filings. For further information, please visit www.vancouverfoundation.ca/giving-options-american-donors.

Further Information

For more information on ways to give, call Vancouver Foundation's Donor Services department at 604.688.2204 or visit our website www.vancouverfoundation.ca.

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