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Office of Gift Planning

Give through a Will or Trust

LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY

With thoughtful planning, you can leave a meaningful legacy to Johns Hopkins. Popular ways to make a legacy gift are through a will or trust. Your gift can support any area of Johns Hopkins, augment your current giving, and even establish an endowed fund.

Make a World of Difference

What are the advantages of making a gift through a will or trust?
A gift through a will or trust offers flexibility and peace of mind, along with the satisfaction that your gift will support the future needs of Johns Hopkins. You remain in control of your assets during your lifetime and can modify your plans if your needs change.

What can I give through a will or trust?
Many types of assets may be given through your will or trust. These include cash, stock or mutual fund shares, and real estate.

What else should I consider?
Think about how you wish for your gift to be used. Some donors state that their gift is unrestricted, allowing Johns Hopkins to determine the area of greatest need. Others direct that their gift support a school, division, or department of Johns Hopkins and perhaps a specific purpose.

How do I move forward?
Before making any changes to your legal documents, it is best to contact the Office of Gift Planning. We want to make sure we understand your wishes and that your legal documents will reflect your intentions.

What if I have already included a gift to Johns Hopkins in my plans?
If your plans include a gift to Johns Hopkins, please let us know. We want to thank you and ensure we honor your wishes. We also want to welcome you into the Johns Hopkins Legacy Society. The Johns Hopkins Legacy Society celebrates donors who support the future of Johns Hopkins with a gift from their estate or a life income gift. Legacy Society members receive special acknowledgement and an invitation to the annual Johns Hopkins Legacy Society Luncheon.

An Easy Way To Give
If you want to make a gift through your estate plan without having to revise your will or trust documents, consider naming Johns Hopkins as a beneficiary of your retirement account — such as an IRA, 401(k), or 403(b) — investment account, bank account, health savings account, or donor advised fund. Simply obtain a new beneficiary form from your account administrator and contact the Office of Gift Planning for next steps.

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