

If you have questions or would like to discuss creating your legacy, HSC is here to help. All conversations are confidential.

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Recognition:

The Huntington Society of Canada celebrates the generosity of legacy donors like you because we could not do our work without your support. We share our gratitude by including the names of legacy donors in our Annual Donor Report, unless they wish to remain anonymous. This recognition allows your values and acts of generosity to live on and inspires others to consider their own gifts.

Important Information:

Legal Name:

Huntington Society of Canada

Registered Charitable Number:

11896 5516 RR0001

Telephone:

1-800-998-7398

Please direct a copy of your will or estate documents to:

Huntington Society of Canada

Attention: **Legacy Giving**

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Thank You

On behalf of the HD community... those just learning about the disease... the families for whom this has been a challenge affecting generation after generation – thank you. Your legacy gift provides hope that the future will be different; it will be bright with the promise of an end to HD and the suffering it causes.



LEGACY GIVING



Your Legacy & the Huntington Society of Canada (HSC)

Imagine a world free from Huntington disease (HD).... *Imagine an end to the devastating and fatal neurodegenerative disease that affects generations of families.*

A **legacy gift** to the Huntington Society of Canada (HSC) can help make that vision a reality.

What Will Your Legacy Be?

Legacy gifts are future planned gifts to HSC arranged through your estate.

A legacy gift is more than a donation; it's a statement of your values and hopes for the future. **By including HSC in your estate plans, you:**

- Provide ongoing support for families living with and affected by Huntington disease
- Invest in research that leads to breakthroughs
- Ensure your compassion and generosity live on
- May be eligible for tax credits

Ways to Give

Planned gifts can be tailored to your financial situation and goals. **Common options include:**

- **Bequest (leaving a gift in your will):** Leave a specific amount, percentage, or residual of your estate. A gift can include property or stocks/securities (see below)
- **Life insurance:** Name HSC as the beneficiary of a policy
- **Charitable remainder trust:** Provides income to you or loved ones now, with the remainder to HSC later
- **Retirement funds:** Name HSC as a beneficiary of your RRSP, RRIF, or TFSA
- **Endowment:** We welcome the opportunity to discuss if endowed giving is of interest for your estate plan

Gift of Stocks and Securities

- **A donation of securities is an efficient way to support HSC.** It can allow you to save more and give more. The Canada Revenue Agency does not apply capital gains tax on donations of publicly traded securities. You have a capital gain when you sell a security for more than you paid for it.
- When you sell your shares for cash, you're required to pay tax on the gain, even if you plan to donate the proceeds. **But when you donate the security directly to HSC, the capital gains are not subject to tax, allowing you to make a larger gift.** You also receive a tax receipt for the full value of your eligible security.

Your lawyer, financial advisor, or insurance agent can help you determine the option that works best for you.

Next steps

Talking about end-of-life decisions can be difficult. **To get started planning your legacy, consider the following:**

- **Talk to your loved ones about your estate wishes.** If HSC has had an impact on your life, and you'd like HSC to be recognized in your estate, discuss these wishes with your family. Remember, there is no minimum threshold for legacy giving.
- **Reach out to HSC's development team.** There are many ways a legacy gift can be designated to HSC, and we are here to help discuss your options and find the right fit for you and your family. You can designate your legacy gift to research or to the area of greatest need.
- **Make an appointment with your lawyer, insurance agent, or financial planner.** An estate lawyer can advise you on the best financial setup for your estate. When you are pleased with the proposal, ensure you meet with your lawyer to update your will.
- **Notify HSC of your planned gift.** Estate giving is a large contributor to HSC's success. Learning of your desire to support HSC helps us plan for the future and gives us the opportunity to thank you personally.

