# Ways to Give



#### vancouver foundation

Whether it's setting up your own Donor Advised Fund, contributing to an existing fund, or making a legacy gift, we will work with you to meet your personal philanthropic goals. Here are some popular ways to give:

### Cheque

Cheques can be made payable to "Vancouver Foundation," with the name of your fund noted on the memo line. For donations of \$25 or more, you will receive a charitable tax receipt for the year in which the contribution is made. Please note we do not accept cash donations.

#### **Credit Card**

You can donate directly to your fund at any time by credit card (Visa or MasterCard), by clicking on the "Donate Now" button on our website. You may also want to consider setting up monthly or quarterly recurring giving though your credit card. This is an easy way to give and, if at any time you want to stop, increase or decrease the amount, just contact us.

# **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 us for more information.

## **Options for Giving Later**

**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. We have several sample Will clauses that your lawyer can use as a guide.

**Life Insurance** - By naming Vancouver Foundation as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy, you can provide a sizeable future gift to Vancouver Foundation at an affordable current cost, without reducing what you give to family and friends through your estate. 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.

### **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 more information, visit <u>vancouverfoundation.ca/giving-options-american-donors</u>.

#### **Further Information**

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

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