



WHAT IS A LEGACY GIFT?

Legacy gifts are a powerful and meaningful way to create a philanthropic legacy and to support the causes you care about the most. Some ways to make a legacy gift are:

- through your will (a bequest);
- giving life insurance;
- assigning benefits from your RRSP or RRIF.

YWCA Toronto's Monarch Society is a special group of supporters who, through a legacy gift today will transform the lives of women and girls tomorrow.

Since 1873, YWCA Toronto has worked to improve the lives of women and girls. Originally a boarding house that provided safety for women from exploitative working conditions, YWCA Toronto has evolved to serve the changing needs of women in our diverse city. At YWCA Toronto, we create and deliver services that transform lives and break down barriers.

Our 32 programs serve more than 12,000 women and families in 12 sites in Toronto, from Scarborough to Etobicoke. We focus on helping women build strong futures with well-paying jobs, safe housing, high quality child care, leadership programs for girls, and lives free from violence.

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To learn more about planning your legacy gift, contact Carol Wladyka, Planned Giving Officer, at cwladyka@ywcatoronto.org or 416.961.8101 x327.



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MAKE YOUR VALUES YOUR LEGACY AT YWCA TORONTO

And transform the lives of women and girls



MAKE A TRANSFORMATIONAL GIFT

and help empower women and girls.

There are many ways to support YWCA Toronto, and a legacy gift in your will can be a simple but profound way to help.

After your estate planning has looked after your family and loved ones, if you can, please consider a gift to YWCA Toronto.

When you prepare your will, trust, or estate to include YWCA Toronto, you may:

- gain charitable deductions now – even for future gifts;
- optimize strategic tax planning including reduction or avoidance of capital gains tax;
- continue to support YWCA Toronto through a gift that can live on perpetually to help more vulnerable and marginalized women and children in our community.

TRANSFORMING LIVES

When I was seventeen, I became homeless. My home life had deteriorated to the point where my safety and support were no longer possible. My family was in crisis. I had to leave.

I was desperate, alone, scared and vulnerable. A friend helped me find a shelter that would take me in. We searched the yellow pages and found a YWCA Toronto women's shelter, and I called. It was 11pm and they had room. That was the beginning of hope for me.

For many years I have hoped that I would have the opportunity to help teenage girls faced with homelessness, in the same way that I was helped years before. When I began to think about my legacy, I realized that leaving a bequest to YWCA Toronto would be my opportunity to do exactly that.

Dr. Vera Tarman,
YWCA Toronto Monarch Society



WITH YOUR LEGACY GIFT, we can accomplish our vision of being a strong advocate for women and girls through transformative services in the areas of employment support and training, housing and shelters, leadership development programs for girls, and key supports for women and children who have experienced violence.

IT IS EASY TO GET STARTED. Simply call the Planned Giving team at YWCA Toronto at 416.961.8101 x327. We are happy to discuss the options and opportunities to help you create a transformational gift. Or just tell your lawyer to include “Young Women’s Christian Association of Greater Toronto” (our correct legal name) in your will.

LEGACY GIVING

Creating change for women and girls in our community.

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