

YOUR LEGACY IS HER FUTURE

Donate in your will to make
a difference in a girl's life

OUR MISSION

Enable life-changing mentoring relationships to ignite the power and potential of young people.

OUR VISION

All young people realize their full potential.

WHY CHOOSE TO MAKE A LEGACY GIFT?

The next time you update your Will, consider joining the Big Sisters Legacy Circle by leaving a legacy gift to Big Sisters of BC Lower Mainland.

Legacy giving is a meaningful and powerful way to support a cause you value. It can also provide tax relief for you and your estate.

A legacy gift to Big Sisters ensures the continuation of our life-changing mentorship programs, and enhances the lives of young girls throughout the community. It is an opportunity to make a difference and to give young girls a hand up and help them reach their fullest potential.

YOUR INVESTMENT WILL CHANGE A LIFE

Be part of something **BIG**

The Big Sisters Story

For over 60 years, Big Sisters of BC Lower Mainland has been committed to enhancing the confidence, self-esteem and well-being of girls through supportive friendships with caring women.

Each year Big Sisters helps more than 800 girls, ages 7 to 17, by matching them with female volunteers in mentoring relationships. Our vision is that every girl who needs a mentor, has a mentor.

Mentoring connects a young girl to personal growth and development and social and economic opportunity. Changing the course of young girls' lives changes the future of our communities.



START SOMETHING

MAKE BEING A CHAMPION FOR YOUTH PART OF YOUR LIFE STORY

Every Gift Makes a Difference

Gift in Your Will

A simple and popular way to make a legacy gift is through your Will. You can specify a dollar amount, a particular asset, real estate, or a portion of your overall estate.

Sample Legacy Clause:

Gift of a Sum of Money

"To pay to Big Sisters of BC Lower Mainland the sum of \$_____."

Life Insurance

Insurance can allow you to make a generous gift at a moderate cost. You can designate Big Sisters as the beneficiary of a new or existing policy. You can also gift and assign ownership of a policy to Big Sisters. Insurance proceeds paid directly to Big Sisters will not be subject to probate fees. Gifting insurance proceeds can also provide tax relief for you and your estate.

Publicly Traded Securities

Gifts of publicly traded securities can include shares, bonds and mutual funds. Gifts of this nature can provide a tremendous benefit to Big Sisters and your estate. If you donate securities to Big Sisters through your Will, your estate will not pay tax on any inherent unrealized capital gains.

Registered Plans

Big Sisters can be designated as the beneficiary or your RRSP or your RRIF. This means the assets in the RRSP or the RRIF will pass directly to Big Sisters on your death, and will not be subject to probate fees. This option can also provide tax relief for your estate. Big Sisters can be designated as the beneficiary of your RRSP, your RRIF or your TFSA. This will allow the assets in the RRSP, RRIF or TFSA to pass directly to Big Sisters on your death, and not be subject to probate fees. This option can also provide tax relief for your estate.

Charitable Remainder Trust

Some people choose to retain the right to use property, such as their home, during their life, but direct that on their death the property is to pass to Big Sisters. Provided that certain conditions are met, this kind of gift can give the donor security in terms of the ongoing use of the property, and can also provide significant tax advantages.

Recognizing Our Donors

Big Sisters would love to hear about the legacy gift you are planning so that you can be thanked appropriately, and so that we can understand how you would like your gift to be used. As always, we will continue to protect the privacy of those donors who wish to remain anonymous.



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