



LEGACY of HEALING SOCIETY

The Legacy of Healing Society honors individuals who have chosen to invest in Houston's most vulnerable women and families with a planned gift benefiting The Women's Home.

Your planned gift creates a legacy of giving beyond your lifetime that improves the lives of women and families working hard to reclaim their stability. Gifts of all sizes make a difference at The Women's Home. In fact, you may even be able to make a bigger impact than you thought possible when you make a legacy gift.

Having a plan for the future is important —no matter your age. An estate plan makes your wishes known and provides your loved ones with peace of mind.



DID YOU KNOW? YOUR PLANNED GIFT HAS TAX BENEFITS.

A planned gift can allow you to receive a charitable income tax deduction and/or reduce the amount of your taxable estate, which may increase the actual amount available to loved ones.

IT WOULD BE AN HONOR TO WELCOME YOU INTO THE LEGACY OF HEALING.

For more information, please contact Chief Development Officer, Julie Comiskey, at jcomiskey@thewomenshome.org or 713.328.1975.

TYPES OF PLANNED GIFTS

BEQUESTS

A bequest is made through your will by designating either a specific dollar amount or a percentage of your estate after other disbursements.

LIFE INSURANCE

You may choose to donate a policy that has outlasted its original purpose, which can be cashed in by The Women's Home during your lifetime, so you can see firsthand how your gift makes a difference. You may also choose to gift a policy that matures upon your death by designating The Women's Home as a beneficiary.

REAL ESTATE

Donating part or all of your appreciated real estate, such as a home, vacation property, undeveloped land, farmland, ranch or commercial property can make a great gift to The Women's Home. Your gift will generally be based on the property's fair market value, which must be established by an independent appraisal.

RETIREMENT ASSETS

Did you know that over half of your retirement assets may be taxed if you leave them to your heirs? As a charity, we are not taxed upon receiving retirement plan assets. If you are like most people, you probably will not use all of your retirement assets such as your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), pension or other tax-deferred plan, during your lifetime. Consider making a gift of your unused retirement assets to help further our mission.

APPRECIATED SECURITIES

Donating appreciated securities, including stocks or bonds, is an easy and tax-effective way for you to make a gift to our organization. The value of a charitable gift of stock is determined by taking the mean between the high and low stock price on the date of the gift, while mutual fund shares are valued using the closing price for the fund on the date of the gift.

CASH DONATION

A POD (Payable Upon Death) bank account or certificate of deposit names one or more persons or charities as the beneficiary of all funds once you, the account owner, pass away. The beneficiary you name has no rights to the funds until after your lifetime. Until that time, you remain in control and are free to use the money in the bank account, change the beneficiary or close the account.