

# Gifts in Will

## Leave Your Legacy

Leaving a charitable gift as part of your estate plan to help the people and families served by Providence Health Care (“PHC”) through its acute care hospitals, centres, residences, and other facilities, including St. Paul’s Hospital, provides the satisfaction of knowing you have made a truly meaningful contribution to future generations.

## What is a gift in will?

A gift in will is an effective way to create a lasting legacy of caring that will live on to support future generations.

Other benefits of making a gift in will:

- Make a gift without impacting your current finances; and
- Obtain a charitable tax receipt for your estate.

Types of gifts in will:

- Gift of Residue: Give a percentage of the residue (total assets less taxes, debts & cash bequests) of your estate; and
- Specific Bequest: Set aside a certain dollar amount or a specific piece of property such as an investment account or a particular stock.

## What to do next

As part of making your will, or revising an existing will, you will likely meet with a lawyer or a notary public. In order to leave a charitable gift through your will, it is important that you include the full legal name of the charity.

Our Legal Name: **ST. PAUL’S FOUNDATION OF VANCOUVER**

Our Charitable Registration Number: **11925 7939 RR0001**

## About St. Paul’s

St. Paul’s is a world-renowned centre of research, teaching and patient care serving patients throughout the province in many unique and specialized areas. Since 1894, St. Paul’s has built a tradition of excellence and provides compassionate care for the people of BC, including some of our most vulnerable and marginalized citizens. Today, our hospital cares for more than 500,000 patients each year and conducts research and teaching initiatives that benefit people locally, nationally and globally.

## About St. Paul’s Foundation

St. Paul’s Foundation was founded in 1980 and is a Canadian registered charity. We work with members of the community like you who wish to make a gift to support research and patient care at St. Paul’s. Our Director of Estate Giving & Philanthropy Administration, Karen Brown will work with you every step of the way to ensure your giving wishes and objectives are met. A planned gift to St. Paul’s Foundation is a beautiful gesture of concern and caring—and a legacy of which you and your family may be proud. Thank you for considering such a special gift.

The paragraphs below provide sample language which may be helpful to you and your lawyer as you make or revise your will.

**Residual Bequest for future greatest needs:**

I give to St. Paul’s Foundation of Vancouver \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate to be used for its greatest needs.

**Bequest of a specific amount for future greatest needs:**

I give to St. Paul’s Foundation of Vancouver the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ from my estate to be used for its greatest needs.

**Note:** While a gift for our greatest needs allows us to direct your gift to the priority needs of PHC at the time your estate gift is received; if you prefer to designate your gift to a specific program, please discuss your wishes with us so as to ensure your intentions are clearly communicated.

**Specific designation:**

I give to St. Paul’s Foundation of Vancouver \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate to be used for \_\_\_\_\_.

As well, since it is difficult to predict future circumstances, we recommend you include the following “power to vary” paragraph in your Will.

**Power to Vary:**

If in the opinion of the Board of Directors of St. Paul’s Foundation of Vancouver, it should become impossible, inadvisable, or impractical to use this gift for the specified purposes indicated in this my will, then the Board may in its discretion use the gift in the best interests of the hospitals, residences and other facilities operated by Providence Health Care, keeping in mind my original wishes.

**Please contact us to learn more. Thank you!**

While we are not able to provide individual legal or accounting advice to individuals who are contemplating making a charitable gift in their will, we welcome an opportunity to discuss your intentions for your future gift and to provide additional information about the hospitals, residences and other facilities operated by PHC, including St. Paul’s Hospital and the Foundation.

*Thank you for considering a future gift for St. Paul’s!*

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**Caring for the Future Society**

Our *Caring for the Future Society* celebrates and engages those who have arranged planned gifts for PHC and who have let us know of their future gifts. Members of the Society receive various publications as well as invitations to public lectures sponsored by PHC and to a variety of Foundation events.

We provide public recognition for those donors who have chosen to be publicly acknowledged. (We do not list names of those donors who prefer to remain anonymous.) The names of planned gift donors are displayed on our Donor Walls, at St. Paul’s Hospital and other PHC sites, under the *Caring for the Future Society* heading. We would be happy to recognize your intended gift, in this way, if this is of interest to you.



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