

Darling Legacy Circle

Frequently Asked Questions Q: How will my gift be used? ANS:

A gift in your Will can be a lifeline for those who feel they have nowhere else to turn. We honour that members of the Darling Legacy Circle are making this gift after a lifetime of dedication—and we're committed to ensuring it creates lasting impact.

You can choose to participate in the Darling Legacy Circle in one of three ways:

- 1. Provide life-changing compassionate counselling and housing help to community members
- 2. Invest in innovation, by building funds that support new ideas, essential equipment, and research ensuring the mission can grow and adapt when it matters most
- 3. Build an endowment, which will earn income and be distributed back to CCRC each year

Q: How do I join the Darling Legacy Circle?

ANS:

Becoming a member of the Darling Legacy Circle is simple. By including Community Counselling and Resource Centre (CCRC) in your Will, you join a special group of supporters committed to lasting impact. Some choose to quietly leave their gift, while others enjoy the connection and recognition that comes with membership—like invitations to exclusive events, including our annual Legacy Circle luncheon, and receiving our annual impact report

Q: How do I leave a donation to CCRC in my Will?

ANS:

For the purpose of supporting the work of the Community Counselling and Resource Centre in your Will, please include the full legal name: "Community Counselling and Resource Centre" and the charitable registration number is **118912880 RR 0001**.

There are two common ways to remember CCRC in your Will.

- 1. Residual bequest leave a percentage of the amount of your estate after all debts, taxes, expenses and specific bequests have been honoured.
- 2. Specific bequest leave a specified amount of money or property



If you would like to consider other forms of bequests, such as a *contingent bequest*, *charitable remainder trust or others*, please contact Kirsten Armbrust, Executive Director at 540 George St N to discuss your plans.

Q: Can you share sample clauses for my Will? ANS:

To give a percentage of your estate (or residual bequest):

"I give to Community Counselling and Resource Centre charitable registration 118912880 RR 0001, or its successor, xx% of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate."

- To give a specific bequest:
 - a. Sum of money:
 - "I give to Community Counselling and Resource Centre (charitable registration # 118912880 RR 0001), or its successor, the sum of \$xxxxxx."
 - b. Particular property(ies) such as real estate, stocks, bonds, jewellery, works of art or other items. Please note: unless the property can be used by the Charity, it may be sold and the proceeds, less any appraisals and selling costs, will be applied per the terms of the bequest.

"I give to Community Counselling and Resource Centre (charitable registration # 118912880 RR 0001), or its successor (description of property."

Q: Can you guarantee you will use the money for the purposes I outlined in my Will? ANS:

From time to time, donors leave instructions for the use of their bequest that the organization is unable to honour at the time the gift is realized. For this reason, we encourage you to contact Community Counselling and Resource Centre to discuss your wishes with us while you are considering your bequest.

In the unlikely occurrence that your wishes are not able to be honoured in the future, we suggest including a clause in your Will to allow us to direct your gift to a purpose that is closely aligned with your original wishes. For example:

"If, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of Community Counselling and Resource Centre, charitable registration # **118912880 RR 0001**located at 540 George St N, Peterborough, ON K9H 3S2), it should become impossible, inadvisable, or impractical to use this gift for the



specified purpose(s) outlined, then the Board of Directors may, in their discretion, use the gift to the best advantage of the Charity, keeping in mind my original wishes. In any such alternative application, the support provided by this bequest shall be clearly identified with the name of (Donor's name), according to the original recognition requested in my Will."

Q: What is included for members in the Darling Legacy Circle? ANS:

If you wish, your name can be proudly displayed on our donor wall and you'll be invited to special CCRC events. You'll also receive annual updates on the programs and services your gift supports. We understand that making a legacy gift is a deeply personal decision—and so is how you choose to be recognized. We'd be honoured to speak with you about the recognition that feels right for you.

The legal stuff:

The amount and the purpose of your gift are strictly confidential and will not be disclosed publicly without your express permission. A Will is a legal document. Consequently, we strongly encourage you to seek legal estate planning advice from a qualified professional if you are making a Will or changing your Will. We'd be pleased to confer with you and your counsel to help draft bequest clauses. All calls will be kept confidential.

To learn more about the Darling Legacy Circle, please contact Kirsten Armbrust at 705-743-2272 ext. 300 or email her at karmbrust@ccrc-ptbo.com. We understand that a legacy gift is a meaningful and personal decision—one that often takes time and reflection. We're deeply grateful for your trust and are committed to honouring it with care and integrity.