



## **Legacy Society Giving**

Transform the lives of future generations of children by leaving an impactful legacy of support at Gift of Adoption. Legacy gifts are a powerful way to secure the future of Gift of Adoption and transform the lives of at-risk children. Gift of Adoption recommends consulting your tax advisor and attorney to learn which planned gift option is best for you.

## **Endowment Gifts**

An endowment gift has both an immediate and long-term benefit. Endowment gifts are invested, and a portion of the annual income is used to address immediate needs. The remaining funds are reinvested to ensure indefinite support. An endowed fund can be directed to address one of Gift of Adoption's four priorities, a geographic area, or other concerns which are in line with GOA's overarching policies.

A gift of \$100,000 or more can permanently endow an annual adoption grant, allowing your legacy to impact the life of one child every year in perpetuity.

## **Planned Gifts**

Gifts through a will or trust are flexible – they can be changed as an individual's life circumstances change.

### **Bequest**

The most common type of planned gift is a bequest, which allows you to designate a charity as a benefactor in your will or trust. Please use the following language when including Gift of Adoption in your will or trust:

"I give to Gift of Adoption, a nonprofit organization located in Techny, Illinois, Tax ID #39-1863217, the (amount/percentage) of my estate to be used by Gift of Adoption for unrestricted purposes."

### **Beneficiary Designations**

If you prefer not to make a gift in your will, you can name Gift of Adoption as a beneficiary through your retirement plan, life insurance policy, or commercial annuity. Your retirement plan administrator, insurance company, or financial institution can provide the proper forms to make this designation.

### **Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Charitable Rollover**

This gift option enables donors age 70 ½ or older to transfer up to \$100,000 directly from the donor's IRA to a qualified charity each year. This transfer is not recognized as taxable income on the donor's tax return. As rules change frequently, you should consult with your IRA custodian about the procedures for making a gift under this provision.

Please let us know if you choose to honor Gift of Adoption in this way so we can recognize your gift in our annual report as part of the Legacy Society, invite you to events gratis, and keep you informed through semiannual newsletters of the life changing impact of your decision on the children we are helping today.

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