THINKING ABOUT YOUR LEGACY

ALICE HOUSE

An Introduction to Planned Giving

WHAT IS PLANNED GIVING?

Planned giving is a way to intentionally include charitable giving in your broader financial, tax, or estate plans. It can help support causes that matter to you while balancing your financial needs, family and other priorities.

Planned gifts can take many forms and do not have to be large to be meaningful. Gifts of all sizes can help organizations like Alice House remain strong and continue serving our community for years to come.

SOME WAYS TO PLAN YOUR GIVING



Leave a gift in your will.
You can leave a specific amount, a percentage of your estate, a particular asset, or a portion of what remains after your other wishes have been fulfilled.



Name a charity as a beneficiary.
A registered charity can be named as a beneficiary of certain assets, including an RRSP, RRIF, TFSA, or life insurance policy.



Use a donor-advised fund.
A donor-advised fund, or DAF, allows you to make a charitable contribution and recommend grants to registered charities over time.



Give securities or other assets.
Eligible publicly traded securities, such as shares or mutual fund units, can also be donated directly to charity and may offer favourable tax treatment.

YOUR LEGACY CAN HELP CREATE A SAFER FUTURE

A planned gift to Alice House can help ensure women and their children continue to have access to safety and opportunities to heal after intimate partner violence.

These gifts can help sustain safe housing, trauma-informed counselling, and other supports available today, while giving Alice House greater stability to respond to changing community needs in the years ahead.

> *"Including Alice House in my will was easy. It's a way for me to give more than I could today, and it makes me happy to know that, someday, my gift could help a woman find safety, hope, and the freedom to choose her own future."*

START WITH A CONVERSATION

Charitable planning is personal and every situation is different.

If you are interested in planned giving, consider speaking with a lawyer, financial advisor, accountant, or other qualified professional. They can help you understand your options and determine what makes sense for you, your loved ones, and the causes you care about.

If Alice House is one of the organizations you are considering supporting, we would be happy to provide helpful information to you or your advisor. We welcome the opportunity to learn more about how your wishes can be honoured and celebrated.

This resource provides general information only and is not intended as legal, financial, or tax advice.

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