



PLANNED GIVING FOR THE FUTURE

Our Beginning

In 1909 a Boy Scout rally was held at the Crystal Palace in London, England where 11,000 boys turned up. Great astonishment was caused by a group at the end of the long parade -- girls. These daring girls pleaded with Baden-Powell to be allowed to join the Scouts. He agreed to help them but said they would be Girl Guides and his sister, Agnes Baden-Powell became the first President.

The first Canadian company was officially registered in St. Catharines, Ontario in 1910. In 1912 the Canadian Headquarters was established in Toronto and Lady Pellatt was appointed Chief Commissioner for Canada. The Canadian Council was incorporated by an Act of Parliament in 1917.

The Movement spread quickly to all Provinces, with Alberta registering the first company in 1913 in Calgary. Today, we have over 12,000 members in the Province. The girls' program provides opportunities in the home, community, world, outdoors and camping.

Our Mission

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada is a Movement for girls and women that challenges Members in their personal development and empowers them to be responsible citizens.

Our Vision

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada, the organization of choice for girls and women, makes a positive difference in the life of every girl or woman who experiences Guiding so she can contribute to her communities.

Our Overview

Girl Guides of Canada has adult and girl members living in every corner of Alberta. Many of these individuals have given generously of their time and talents or participated in our programs as girls, since our beginning in Alberta in 1913.

Modern estate planning offers our members and friends an opportunity to provide for the future of Guiding in the years to come. For the present or the future, gift planning can take on many forms, but in the end these gifts can outlast a lifetime. Many planned giving options exist including but not limited to, the following:

WILL BEQUESTS - The easiest and most frequent method - a bequest in your Will of a sum of cash or property that can be unrestricted or restricted in nature.

An **unrestricted bequest** allows Girl Guides of Canada-Alberta Council to use the donor's gift where it is felt to be needed most.

A **restricted bequest** is a gift with a specific purpose such as the Scholarship Fund, Travel Assistance, Alberta Girl's Parliament, Camping Programs, etc. The donor's estate will receive a tax receipt for the full value of a bequest thereby reducing the tax payable by the estate.

GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE - One way is to make Girl Guides of Canada-Alberta Council the beneficiary of a policy. To get a tax receipt it is preferable to have the death proceeds paid to the estate and include in your will a specific request that the proceeds be paid to Girl Guides of Canada-Alberta Council.

Another option is to make Girl Guides of Canada-Alberta Council the owner and beneficiary of an existing or new policy. This makes your payments eligible for a tax credit immediately.

GIFTS OF SECURITIES AND REAL ESTATE - Appreciated stock, other securities or almost any type of real property (personal residence, farm, vacation home, undeveloped land etc.) can constitute a gift. A gift receipt for fair market value is provided and there is the possible avoidance of tax on the capital gain.

GIVING IN THE PRESENT

GIFTS OF CASH - The most common kind of contribution is gifts of cash that can be unrestricted in nature or restricted to a specific purpose. You receive a gift receipt for the amount of your gift.

GIFTS-IN-KIND - This gift is non-cash and includes securities, real estate and tangible property such as equipment, artwork, services etc. The receipt issued is based on the fair market value of the gift on the date given.

Every donor's financial situation is different. We encourage you to consult your own legal and financial advisors to achieve the maximum benefits.

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