YWCA CALGARY



Legacy Gifts:

How to leave a gift in your will

A gift that outlasts a lifetime

We are deeply grateful for your consideration in including the YWCA Calgary in your will or estate plans. Your thoughtfulness is truly remarkable.

A legacy gift ensures that the YWCA's mission of empowerment, equity, and service will continue to transform lives for generations to come. Whether through a bequest, a gift of appreciated securities, or other planned giving vehicles, your contribution will have a lasting impact on the individuals and families we serve, strengthening our community and advancing social justice for decades into the future.

Your investment in us reflects your values and commitment to meaningful change. We are honored to carry forward your legacy.

What's next

1. Share this guide with your financial advisor or estate lawyer.
2. Let them know you'd like to include YWCA Calgary in your will.
3. Contact us if you or your advisor have any questions. We're happy to help, in confidence and without obligation.

Thank you for considering a legacy gift. Your generosity will help women and families for generations to come.



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Ways to leave your gift

There are a number of ways to include YWCA Calgary in your will. The two most common are:

1. A residual bequest (a percentage of your estate)
You leave YWCA Calgary all, or a percentage, of what remains of your estate after your other wishes have been fulfilled. An advantage of this approach is that as your circumstances change, your will does not have to be altered — the proportion stays the same.

Suggested wording: "I give the residue of my estate (or ____% of the residue of my estate) to the Young Women's Christian Association of Calgary (YWCA Calgary), Charitable Registration Number 108227927 RR0001, currently of 1715 – 17 Avenue SE, Calgary, Alberta."

2. A specific dollar amount
You leave YWCA Calgary a fixed sum of money.

Suggested wording: "I give the sum of $_____ to the Young Women's Christian Association of Calgary (YWCA Calgary), Charitable Registration Number 108227927 RR0001, currently of 1715 – 17 Avenue SE, Calgary, Alberta."

Designating your gift
Gifts directed to the "area of greatest need" give YWCA Calgary the most flexibility to support our clients and to adapt programming as community needs evolve. If you would like to designate your gift to a particular program, please contact us first — we would be pleased to learn about your interests and provide options. For designated gifts, we recommend adding the following clause:

Suggested power-to-vary clause: "If, through the passage of time, a designated YWCA Calgary program is no longer in place, I give permission to alter the terms of my will to adhere as closely as possible to my original wishes; or, in the event this is not possible, to direct my gift to the area of greatest need."