

Bequests and Gifts by Beneficiary Designation

With thoughtful planning today, you can make Howard part of your lasting legacy with a gift in your will, trust, or by beneficiary designation (life insurance, donor advised fund, retirement account, other financial account). Your gift costs you nothing now and it helps ensure Howard remains one of the world's most prestigious educational institutions.

How You Benefit

THESE GIFTS ALLOW YOU TO:

- Retain control of your assets during your lifetime.
- Change your mind if your circumstances change.
- Provide for family and have a lasting impact on Howard's future.
- Enjoy the benefits of membership in our Legacy Giving Society.



CONSIDER THESE TWO WAYS TO MAKE A LASTING IMPACT:

1. List Howard as a beneficiary of a retirement plan, donor-advised fund, life insurance, or other financial account.

Contact the administrator and request a beneficiary designation form. Complete the form with our legal name, address, and Tax ID # listed below. Sign and return the form to your administrator, keeping a copy for your records. And share a copy with us.

2. Leave a gift to Howard in your will or trust.

Consult an estate attorney so they can ensure your intentions are properly documented in your will or trust. Please refer to sample bequest language below.

"I hereby give, devise, and bequeath {a specific amount or a percent} to Howard University, Washington, DC, Federal Tax ID #53-0204707."

SAVE ON TAXES WITH GIFTS FROM A RETIREMENT ACCOUNT

Leaving a gift to Howard through your retirement account (such as an IRA) is one of the most tax-wise gifts you can make. Because most retirement plans are taxed differently than other funds, they may actually become a tax liability if left to loved ones. Because Howard is tax-exempt, we receive 100% of your gift to create your enduring legacy.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

To notify us of a legacy gift you have planned or to discuss the best gift option for you, please contact:

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