

Our Promise to You

Your decision to include Oakville & Milton Humane Society in your Will is deeply personal and rooted in your lifelong values and compassion towards animals and wildlife. The compassionate and quality care now, and in the future work of the OMHS will always come first.

Your gift will be honoured and celebrated and directed to the animals in the way you envisioned. While we encourage you to share your gift plans with us, we understand if you prefer not to tell us. We will always honour your privacy and treat your gift with sensitivity.

If you choose to share your intention with us, we will update you on the work being accomplished now and what we aspire to accomplish in the future.

Your gift will change the world for a scared, neglected, and abused animal who depends on compassionate humans like you to change their lives.

Imagine the impact your gift will have in those animals' lives.

Thank you on behalf of the animals now and in the future, who will depend on us along their journey to their forever family.



For more information please contact Legacy Giving



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Your Gift by Will

Thank you for even considering a gift in your Will

Your legacy has the power to change the world for an animal deserving a second chance at a loving and peaceful life. From domestic animals to wildlife and farm animals, we believe in caring, rescuing, and rehabilitating those who can not speak for themselves.

Animals are depending on us 24/7, 365 days a year to protect them and educate the community where they live on kindness and compassion.

You can continue this work beyond your lifetime.

The most important first step is to consult with your Advisor(s) and your family to let them know your wishes and celebrate your future gift for the animals.

If you have already drafted your Will, but want to add a residual gift to the animals at OMHS, your lawyer can help you do this without affecting the gifts you leave for your loved ones.

You can leave a percentage of what is left of your estate or assets after other gifts (and debts) have been paid—known as a **residual gift**.

Here is an example:

“To pay the Oakville & Milton Humane Society the residue (or share of the residue) of my estate for such use and purpose as the Board of Directors may determine in their absolute discretion.”

You may wish to leave us a stated sum of money. This type of gift is known as a **specific gift**.

Here is an example:

“To pay the Oakville & Milton Humane Society the sum of \$— for such use and purpose as the Board of Directors may determine in their absolute discretion.”



Your Gift of Publicly Traded Securities

Gift of Securities

Your gift of securities will make an immediate impact for the animals in our care. By donating publicly traded securities, you eliminate the capital gains tax that you'd have to pay if you sold the securities and then donated the proceeds. You'll also receive a charitable tax receipt for your donation. You can give now, or as part of your estate and will planning process.

Your Advisor can transfer your securities by completing the transfer form. Please let us know the transfer is in process so we can facilitate as well as express our gratitude for your gift.

Donor Advised Funds

A donor advised fund held at a community foundation or banking institution may be an attractive alternative as you can have your own "foundation" without the administrative burden or large investment of a private foundation. You can name your fund in honour of your family's philanthropic interests and choose annually where your gift will be directed.



Other Ways to Give

Gift of Life Insurance

A gift of life insurance is a cost-effective way to make an even larger impact for the animals.

There are 3 ways you can support the animals through gifts of life insurance:

1. Give an existing policy you feel you no longer need, transferring ownership and beneficiary designation to the OMHS.
2. Purchase a new life insurance policy where the OMHS is named as the owner and beneficiary.
3. Designate the OMHS as a beneficiary of an existing policy. If you prefer to retain ownership of your life insurance policy, you can have the proceeds of the policy directed to the OMHS upon your death.

RRIF

You can designate the Oakville & Milton Humane Society as a beneficiary of your RRSP, RRIF or TFSA. With these gift options, the OMHS would receive the proceeds of your registered plan upon your death. Not unlike traditional bequests, you remain the owner of the retirement income, so you can change beneficiaries at your discretion. If your family's circumstances change, you can also modify the amount or percentage you are leaving to the OMHS by completing a new form at any time.

Real Estate

Property, jewelry, or art can be an attractive way to make a substantial gift to OMHS and have significant tax benefits. You can give the property outright, place it in trust to retain the use of it for life, or gift it by will.

