

Leave a gift in your will

Make belonging part of your legacy.

A gift in your will is a way to continue supporting what matters most to you. Your future gift to ICA will help newcomers and refugees arriving in Greater Victoria years from now find connection, opportunity and a sense of belonging — while you continue to provide first for the people you love.

What your legacy makes possible

For more than 50 years, ICA has helped more than 100,000 newcomers build new lives here — learning English, finding meaningful work, making friends and feeling part of the community. A gift in your will helps make sure that welcome is still here for the families who have not yet arrived.

> ***"For two years ICA invested and believed in me. That support didn't just change my life, it shaped the future of my entire family."***
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> — Mona Zeid, former ICA client who now leads ICA's Settlement Services team

Every gift matters, whatever its size. Like planting seeds that will provide shade for generations to come, your legacy helps build a community where we all belong.

A simple way to leave a gift

Including ICA in your will costs nothing today, and you can update your plans at any time. You can name the Inter-Cultural Association of Greater Victoria as a beneficiary in your will and leave:

- a specific dollar amount
- a percentage of your estate
- the residue of your estate after other gifts are made
- real estate, securities or other property
- a gift by naming ICA as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy, RRSP, RRIF or TFSA

Sample wording to discuss with your adviser

"I give to the Inter-Cultural Association of Greater Victoria, located at 808 Douglas St., Victoria B.C., V8W 2B6, charitable registration number 107509838RR0001, the sum of $_____ [or _____ percent of my estate], to be used for its charitable purposes."

Important: *This wording is a starting point only. Please ask your lawyer or notary to prepare language that reflects your wishes and complies with applicable law.*

Use your gift where it is needed most

Community needs change over time. An unrestricted gift gives ICA flexibility to direct your future support to the area of greatest need when the gift is received. If you are considering a designated or endowed gift, please contact ICA before finalizing your plans so we can confirm that your wishes can be carried out.

Already included ICA? Please let us know

If you have included ICA in your will, or are thinking about it, we would love to hear from you. Telling us is entirely optional and never binding. It gives us the chance to thank you, understand your wishes and honour your generosity in the way you prefer — including anonymously.

Plan with confidence

A gift in your will may also reduce the taxes payable by your estate. Charitable gifts made through an estate generally qualify for a donation tax credit, and donating publicly traded securities can eliminate tax on capital gains. We encourage you to speak with a qualified legal, financial or tax adviser about your estate plan and any potential legal or tax considerations. ICA staff can provide information about the organization, but cannot provide personal legal, financial or tax advice.

Questions? We are here to help.

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