



## Gift in Your Will

If you believe that public broadcasting should remain free, thoughtful and reflective of our diverse BC communities, your Will can become a powerful way to ensure that continues long into the future.

A gift in your Will to Knowledge Network is more than a donation. It's a statement: *This matters to me.* It's a way of continuing to nurture curious minds, protect commercial-free children's programming and give others the same sense of connection you've found in our documentaries, local stories and trusted content.

For many donors, creating a legacy gift feels deeply rewarding. It reflects their love for learning, their care for others and their desire to leave the world a little better for future generations.

### What is a Will, and why is it so important?

A Will is more than a legal document—it's a powerful way to express what matters most to you. It ensures that your assets, property and possessions are distributed according to your wishes, and that the people and causes you care about are thoughtfully considered.

Without a Will, your estate will be distributed according to provincial laws, which may not reflect your personal intentions. That's why having an up-to-date Will is one of the most important steps you can take to bring peace of mind—for yourself and those you love.

Many people choose to include a gift to charity in their Will as a way to honour their values and continue supporting the causes that have shaped their lives. A gift to Knowledge Network ensures that future generations will benefit from the trusted, thoughtful and commercial-free programming you believe in.

### Where will my gift go?

All gifts in Wills are directed to the **Knowledge Network Endowment Fund**, which helps ensure a future of rich, engaging programming. Your gift will be permanently invested with care, and only the income it generates will support programming on Knowledge in perpetuity.

In this way, your generosity lives on—through every program watched, every perspective shared, every child who learns something new.

### How can I include Knowledge Network in my Will?

Whenever there is a major change in your life, such as:

- **Specific gift:** A specific amount of money
- **Residual gift:** A percentage of your estate
- **Gift of assets:** A gift of property, securities or other assets
- **Contingent gift:** Only made if other named individuals cannot inherit

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Most donors choose to leave a residual gift, which is a gift of what remains after loved ones are cared for and debts are settled.

Here are some samples of will clauses that you can discuss with your legal advisor.

General Bequest of a stated sum of money may be worded: "I give the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ [insert the exact dollar amount] to Knowledge Network Corporation to be added to the Knowledge Network Endowment Fund."

Specific Bequest of a certain asset from your estate may be worded: "I give my [insert description of specific property] to Knowledge Network Corporation to be sold and the proceeds added to the Knowledge Network Endowment Fund."

Residuary Bequest, after other bequests and expenses have been paid, may be worded: "I give all or \_\_\_\_\_% [insert percentage] of the residue and remainder of my estate to Knowledge Network Corporation to be added to the Knowledge Network Endowment Fund."

You will need to include:

- **Our Legal Name:** Knowledge Network Corporation
- **Our Charitable Registration Number:** 12153 2816 RR0001
- **Our Address:** 4355 Mathissi Place, Burnaby, B.C. Canada V5G 4S8

**Will my estate benefit from this gift?**

Yes. Knowledge Network will issue a charitable donation receipt for the full value of your gift, which can reduce the amount of income tax owed by your estate. For example:

*Margaret J, a widow, leaves a specific bequest of \$10,000 to Knowledge Network and the remainder of her estate to her two children. Her donation receipt of \$10,000 reduces the income tax owing on her estate by \$10,000. Because of this reduction, she doesn't have to pay income tax on this \$10,000 and this saves the estate \$4,500 (assuming a tax rate of 45%).*

Specific Bequest of	\$10,000
Donation Receipt	\$10,000
Donation Tax Credit (based on 45% tax rate)	\$ 4,500
Actual cost of the \$10,000 bequest to the Estate	\$ 5,500

*If she had left this \$10,000 to her children, instead of giving it to the Knowledge Endowment, the estate would have to pay \$4,500 in income tax on this amount and only \$5,500 would have gone to the children.*

If the full credit can't be used in the year of death, it may be carried back to reduce tax from the previous year.

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### Do I need to rewrite my Will if I want to make a change?

Not necessarily. A simple addition called a codicil can be prepared by your legal advisor to update your existing Will without rewriting the entire document.

We recommend reviewing your Will when:

- You marry, separate or divorce
- A new child or grandchild is born
- You move to a new province
- Your financial situation changes significantly
- Someone named in your Will passes away

It's a good idea to revisit your Will every few years to ensure it still reflects your wishes.

### Should I let Knowledge Network know about my legacy gift?

If you choose to let us know about your gift, we would be honoured to thank you during your lifetime—something we cannot do once the gift is received. But it means even more than that.

Knowing about your intentions helps us plan for the future with greater confidence and care. And your feedback can help shape how we inspire others to take this meaningful step—many of our most impactful bequests were inspired by a single conversation or a story shared by another generous viewer like you.

With your permission, we'd also be proud to welcome you into our Legacy Circle, which includes optional recognition opportunities such as:

- Name listing in K: Magazine (minimum 10-year recognition)
- Name listing on our donor wall at our offices

### Can I talk to someone about this?

Yes—confidentially and with no obligation. We understand that a legacy gift is a very personal decision, and we're here to help you explore your options in a way that feels right for you.

You may also wish to request our planning resource, *A Guide to Your Will*, which can help you reflect on your values, organize your wishes and start conversations with your loved ones and professional advisors.



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This document does not constitute legal or financial advice.

We recommend that before making a decision on a significant gift to Knowledge Network, you seek independent professional advice to ensure your gift is structured in accordance with your personal circumstance and that the related tax implications have been thoroughly considered.

**Thank you for considering creating a legacy at Knowledge Network.**



## Will Confirmation

A gift in your will is a simple, thoughtful way to ensure that Knowledge Network is available for future generations. Your gift will be deposited into the Knowledge Network Endowment Fund and the original gift will never be touched. Only the income it generates will be used for programming. If you have made a bequest in your will to Knowledge Network or intend to do so, please complete and sign this form.

- I have already included Knowledge Network in my will.
- I intend to include Knowledge Network in my will.

Should you prefer to remain anonymous, your personal information and donation details will only be accessed by employees and volunteers as needed to complete their duties and to serve you.

### Permission for Public Recognition

If you wish to be recognized in our magazine, on-air, on our website and in displays such as donor walls, please provide the way you would like your name(s) listed.

*Eg. Ellen Smith, E. Smith, Dr. B. and Mrs. Ellen Smith, Bob and Ellen Smith, etc.*

**Name(s) for recognition** \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, you are providing permission for Knowledge Network Corporation (“Knowledge”) to collect and reproduce your name(s) above, and you grant Knowledge the right to print, broadcast, distribute, display in a public setting, or display on the Internet your name throughout the world.

You agree to release Knowledge from any claims that you or others may have in the future regarding issues of privacy, defamation, or other actions arising out of Knowledge’s disclosure of this name.

You may withdraw your permission at any time by contacting us. If you choose to withdraw permission, we will remove your recognition according to our operational timelines for updates.

**Signature of Donor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Spouse/Joint Donor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Recognition in *K: Magazine* and on the donor wall is given for a minimum 10 years due to space limitations. Recognition for Estate gifts received will remain on the website indefinitely, subject to Knowledge Network’s discretion and operational needs.

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## Information About You

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date (dd/mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Information About Your Spouse/Joint Donor

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date (dd/mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

*(Spouse/Joint Donor Contact Information - **only if different from your info above**)*

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this completed form to Knowledge Network in the Business Reply Envelope provided. Alternatively, you may scan or take a photo of both pages and send by email to: [plannedgiving@knowledge.ca](mailto:plannedgiving@knowledge.ca)

**Thank you for your thoughtful support of Knowledge Network.**