



# Shaping the Future of Healthcare

Create your legacy with a gift in your will



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# Giving Today. Creating Tomorrow.



## YOUR GIFTS WILL TRANSFORM CARE WELL INTO THE FUTURE

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*What does tomorrow look like?*

It's a question we all ask ourselves from time to time. And living through a global pandemic has made us stop and think about everything we hold most dear – now, and well into the future.

More than ever, we've realized how much we rely on exceptional healthcare. We depend on top-notch treatment that will be there for us when we need it most.

That's what we have at The Ottawa Hospital. We know we have access to world-class, patient-centred care – close to home.

But how can we be sure that same care will be available tomorrow?

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*How will our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren be taken care of?*

The truth is, tomorrow is in our hands today.

**New technology, new discoveries, and new research methods are made possible when caring donors like you decide to leave a gift in their will.**

Your enduring gift can ensure The Ottawa Hospital will continue to have an impact on patient care in our community **for years to come.**

When you decide to include a gift in your will today, you ensure your values will extend beyond your lifetime – and that you will also shape healthcare tomorrow.

# When Tragedy Strikes, The Ottawa Hospital is Prepared

YOUR GIVING SAVES LIVES WHEN SECONDS COUNT

I'll never forget the sounds on January 11, 2019. A deafening crash. High-pitched scraping. Then screaming, crying, moaning.

I'd been staring out the bus window, thinking about what to make for dinner when I was violently jolted forward, instantly pinned between two seats on the upper deck.

I couldn't feel my legs.

I was rushed to The Ottawa Hospital, along with dozens of other critically-injured passengers. I needed surgery immediately to save my life.

## **My trauma team was ready when I arrived.**

Later, I would learn doctors performed more surgeries and saved more lives on that Friday than on any other day in the hospital's history.

No one could have predicted the Westboro bus crash. But thanks to ongoing support from donors like you, The Ottawa Hospital was prepared. They cared for me in the most terrifying moments of my life.

After surgeries, I needed rehab. It's been a long road to adjust to my new life, but the kindness and support from everyone at The Ottawa Hospital helped me and my family through it all.

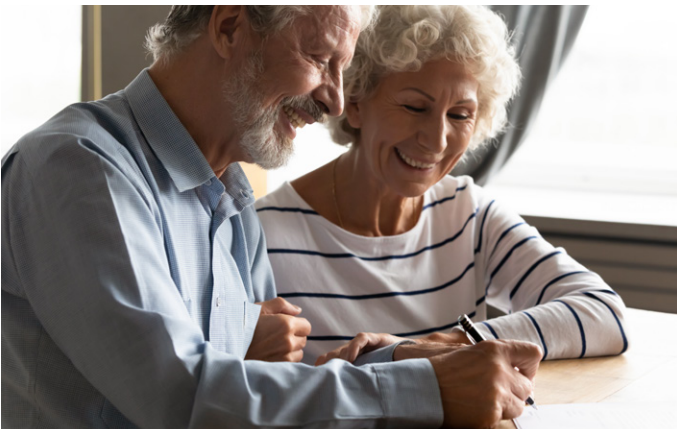
**Marcie Stevens, Westboro bus crash survivor**



**When you leave a gift to The Ottawa Hospital in your will, you support research that improves people's survival and quality of life after severe trauma. People like me.**



# How Do I Make A Gift In My Will?



## What types of gift can I make in my will?

Most people opt to make one of two types of gifts: residual or fixed sum.

A residual gift allows you to give a share or a percentage of whatever is leftover in your estate to charity. With a fixed sum gift, you choose a specific amount to donate.

**The type of gift you elect to make is a deeply personal choice.**

There are just a few pieces of information you need to leave a gift in your will to The Ottawa Hospital.

This applies if you're making a will for the first time, or drafting a codicil to attach to an existing will.

### You'll need to include the following:

**Legal Name:**

The Ottawa Hospital Foundation

**Charitable Registration Number:**

86904 2747 RR0001

**Address:**

737 Parkdale Avenue, 1st Floor, Box 610,  
Ottawa, ON K1Y 1J8

*We recommend you consult with a legal professional, and any other professional advisors, when including a gift in your will.*

# Frequently Asked Questions

## What is a will?

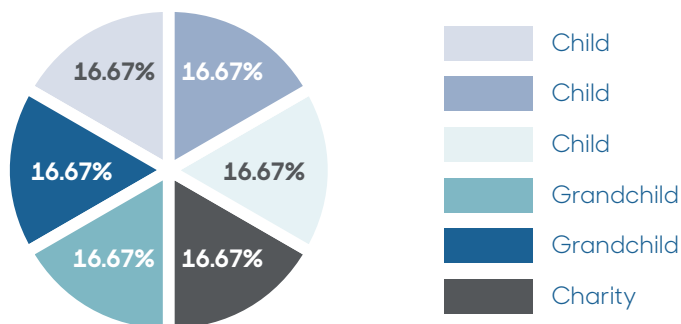
A will is a legal document that lets you decide what happens to your money, property, and possessions after your death.

## Who can leave a gift in their will?

Anyone! Nearly 1.5 million Canadians have left a gift to charity in their will. A gift in your will is your final opportunity to make a lasting gift to a cause you care about.

## How can I leave a gift in my will and still provide for my loved ones?

One way to think about this is to divide up your estate into percentages. For a moment, think of your will like a pie. You can choose to leave a slice to each of your children, another to your grandchildren, and another to a cause you care deeply about.



## What if I already have a will?

You can certainly include The Ottawa Hospital in your will, even if it's already been written. You can use a legal document called a codicil to update your will at any time.

## Do I have to let you know about my decision?

You're under no obligation to share that you've left a gift in your will with us. If you do choose to communicate that you've included The Ottawa Hospital in your will, it enables us to plan much more effectively for the future. More importantly, it gives us the opportunity to thank you personally for your commitment to healthcare and to ensure that your legacy is never forgotten.

*You may have no idea how much leaving a gift in your will to charity could affect the amount of tax you pay to the government on your estate.*

*As a Financial Advisor, I try to show the positive tax impact and significant family benefits of a planned gift to charity.*

*In every case, your family AND your charity are taken care of. In the end, both become shared partners in your legacy."*

### **Peter B Fraser**

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If a gift in your will feels like it might be the right choice for you, or if you'd like some more information, please do get in touch. You'll be under no obligation, and our conversation will remain completely confidential.

Speak with **Rob Gottschalk**, your contact for planned giving. Reach him by email or phone.

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