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Life Insurance Policies

Life insurance is the most widely held investment in Canada and, because of special tax treatment to life insurance policies; it is an excellent gift planning choice.

You can make a gift of life insurance by naming our Foundation as your beneficiary in a new or existing policy.

Benefits include:

- By paying small premiums during your lifetime, you can build a sizable gift for the future.
- It's tax deductible. You can either receive donation receipts equal to the premiums you pay each year, or your estate can receive a donation receipt upon your death.
- Your estate is protected, since life insurance is considered separate from your estate.

It is always best to include your trusted advisors and family when make changes to your estate plan.

Gift of an Existing Insurance Policy

You can transfer an existing policy by naming the Foundation the owner and beneficiary. If the policy is paid up, either you or the Foundation do not need to pay additional premiums. The tax receipt is issued for the cash surrender value of the policy plus any accumulated dividends and interest at the time of the transfer. If you continue to fund future premiums, these amounts will also be eligible for the donation credit.

Gift of a New Policy

Some donors choose to take out a new policy with the Foundation as owner and beneficiary. It is important that the Foundation is both the owner and the beneficiary. If the charity is not made the owner, Canada Revenue Agency states that no gift will have been made, and no tax receipt can be issued. Under this type of arrangement, each year you pay the premiums, and the Foundation issues an annual tax receipt for these premiums. The insurance proceeds will be paid directly to the Foundation upon your demise.

Other

In addition, there are creative options for using life insurance proceeds as wealth replacement vehicles, replacing the value of a current gift in your estate so there is no impact on heirs.