

Make a difference for future library users



Make a gift that costs you nothing during your lifetime and transforms the lives of others.



THE NEXT CHAPTER SOCIETY



ANCHORAGE
LIBRARY
FOUNDATION

A Gift that Keeps on Giving

By naming the Anchorage Library Foundation as a beneficiary in your Will, Trust or retirement plan, you can make an investment to ensure that our community has a strong and vibrant public library for future generations.

Gifts come in many sizes – you don't have to be rich to make a difference. You can designate a set amount or a percentage of your estate or retirement account.

How Will My Gift Make a Difference?

Gifts to the Library Foundation help make our library special by funding new library buildings and equipment, and sponsoring exciting new projects like early literacy learning stations.

You can make your gift available for the Library's immediate needs, or you can direct it to the Endowment Fund to create an everlasting legacy. Funds invested in the endowment generate future income to support the Library's work for generations to come. If you have specific wishes for how to direct your gift, please contact us so we can ensure that we are able to honor your wishes.

Sample Bequest Language for Your Will

I give ____ % of the residue of my estate [or \$_____] to the Anchorage Library Foundation, an Alaska nonprofit corporation and tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (Federal Tax Identification No. 92-0081583), for its exempt purposes without restriction [or to the endowment fund].



Your Legacy Giving Checklist

- ✓ Create or update your Will or Trust to reflect your wish to leave a gift to the Library Foundation; adding the Foundation to your current Will is as simple as making a call to your estate advisor.
- ✓ Think beyond cash - you can also leave stocks and insurance policies, or make the Anchorage Library Foundation a beneficiary of your life insurance, pension plan or IRA.
- ✓ Consult your financial advisor or lawyer to select the options that are best for you and your family.
- ✓ If you have us in your Will, please let us know! We want to thank you. Your intent to make a gift can be made public or kept confidential according to your wishes.



Join the Next Chapter Society. Benefits Include:

You will ensure that the Library has resources to educate, connect and inspire people for many years to come.

You will become a member of the Next Chapter Society, a community of neighbors who care about making the Library and Anchorage a better place.

You will also receive these tokens of our appreciation:



- Next Chapter Society lapel pin and library card sticker
- Invitations to VIP donor receptions & sneak previews
- Upon receipt of your gift, your name will be listed on a plaque at the Loussac Library legacy tree

Philanthropic Plan Worksheet

Use this worksheet to think about how you want to incorporate charitable giving into your future financial plans. You can share it with your advisors to solidify your goals in your legal documents. For additional planning tools, contact info@LibraryChampion.com.

What do you want to be remembered for?

What values do you live by? What causes are important to you? Do you want to address immediate needs or invest in long-term solutions?

What is your vision for the future?

If your giving efforts meet their goals, what would your community look like in the future?

Who are your decision-makers?

Who should you involve in your plan? Consider family, charities, financial planner, lawyer, etc. Who do you want to be your executor (person who handles your affairs)? How will you let them know about your wishes?

Make a Plan

Create a plan for your legacy.

- What assets do you have?
- Do you want to give away your assets during your lifetime or after you've passed?
- How much will your heirs need to be comfortable?
- How much will it take to make a difference? Should you give it all to one charity or spread it out among different causes?

"The Library touches more lives than any other organization in our community, and maybe it touched yours.

Your gift will ensure that coming generations of people in our diverse community have access to the resources – from books to computers to educational opportunities – that they need to grow into successful people who contribute to the fabric of Anchorage."

– Chelsea, Next Chapter Society Member

Ready to make a gift?

To learn more, notify us of your intent to give, or make your own legacy gift, please contact Clare Ross at:

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