# Gift Planning at Gilchrist

Your Legacy Makes a Lasting Impact







## **Gilchrist Legacy Society**

The Gilchrist Legacy Society was created to recognize and honor those extraordinary people who remember Gilchrist in their estate plans. By sharing this information, you become a member of this esteemed giving society.

#### Legacy Society Member Benefits:

- Special Legacy Society event with Gilchrist President
- Recognition on Gilchrist Legacy Society Donor Wall
- Complimentary subscription to Reflections, our quarterly newsletter

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# Gift Planning

## What Is Gift Planning?

A planned gift, estate gift and lifetime gift are all terms used to describe charitable gifts that are often made through a will or trust, but also include gifts of stocks, real estate and gifts that pay a donor a lifetime stream of income. Your gift enables Gilchrist to further its mission to provide counseling, support and care to anyone with a serious illness, so they may live life to the fullest. People choose to make a planned gift for many reasons, but most frequently, such gifts are an expression of gratitude for care a loved one has received. Often, a planned gift allows you to make a more impactful gift during your lifetime. Most planned gifts also provide substantial tax and financial advantages and can include options that provide fixed payments for you or another designee.

### Why Gilchrist?

Gilchrist relies on the generosity of the community to help support our comprehensive programs and services: our hospice inpatient centers, home and residential center hospice care, Music Therapy, We Honor Veterans, Jewish Hospice, Gilchrist Kids—our pediatric hospice program, Counseling and Support, and Elder Medical Care. Making a gift through your estate is an impactful way to further our work. Gilchrist was established through the generosity and vision of a remarkable woman, Jeanne Gilchrist Vance. Her support, both during her lifetime and through her estate, enabled Gilchrist to become a leader in end-of-life care.

#### **Bequest**

The most common way to make a planned gift is through your will. You can include language that directs a specific amount or a portion of your estate to Gilchrist. Giving through your will allows you to retain the use of your funds during your lifetime while creating an impactful philanthropic legacy at Gilchrist. We can provide sample language that you can share with your attorney to include Gilchrist in your estate plans.

#### **Account Beneficiary**

An easy, no-cost way to make a planned gift is to name Gilchrist as the beneficiary of an account, such as a bank or brokerage account, IRA, or 401k. Taxation on IRAs and retirement plans can be substantial—donating them to Gilchrist, a registered 501(c)(3), bypasses these taxes. Also, designating Gilchrist as a beneficiary is simple and does not require an attorney.



#### **Charitable Gift Annuity**

A charitable gift annuity provides you guaranteed lifetime income and provides future support to Gilchrist. The payout you receive is based upon your age when you make the gift. In addition, you receive an immediate tax deduction, avoid capital gains taxes if donating appreciated securities, and a portion of the income you receive will be tax free. An attorney is not required to establish a charitable gift annuity.

## **Gift of Appreciated Property**

A gift of appreciated property, typically stocks or real estate, can have substantial tax benefits. By making a gift of appreciated property, you can deduct the current value of the asset, avoid capital gains taxes, and make a more substantial gift than you otherwise could. There also are ways you can donate your principal residence to Gilchrist and retain lifetime use of it. Using appreciated assets to fund gift annuities or other life income gifts add to their benefits.





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