

Ways to Give

Individuals, Families and Corporations trust Burlington Foundation to make change happen.

Burlington Foundation offers a variety of giving options. Whether it's setting up your own endowment fund, contributing to an existing fund, or making a legacy gift, we work with you to meet your financial needs and your personal giving goals. By working together, we make the most of your giving, creating a ripple effect of change in our community. Now that's **Brilliant**.

Here are a few of the most common ways to give:

Cheque or Credit Card

This is the simplest type of charitable gift. For donations over \$25 you will receive a charitable donation receipt for the year in which the contribution was made.

Publicly-Traded Securities

A gift of publicly-traded securities is the transfer of ownership of stocks or bonds to Burlington Foundation. If you own shares that have increased in value, 50 per cent of the capital gains are taxable. However, if you donate these shares in-kind to Burlington Foundation, the entire gain is tax-exempt.

Other Giving Options

Charitable Bequest

Leave a bequest to Burlington Foundation in your will. Burlington Foundation will provide an official receipt for income tax purposes to your estate when it receives the bequest. Bequests can be a specific dollar amount or a residual gift (the entire residue or portion of your estate). We have prepared a document with sample clauses for your will that your lawyer can use if he/she wishes as a guide.

Life Insurance

You can provide a gift to the Foundation at an affordable cost without reducing what you give to family and friends through your estate. Burlington Foundation can be named as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy. If you designate Burlington Foundation as the irrevocable beneficiary or owner and beneficiary of your life insurance policy, we will be able to provide you with an official receipt for income tax purposes for the amount of premium you pay each year.

RRSP/RRIF

Name Burlington Foundation as the beneficiary of your Registered Retirement Savings Plan or Registered Retirement Income Fund and make a significant donation, while saving your estate from paying probate tax on the proceeds.