

A Legacy Gift for Wild Birds & Saving the Planet

The Ottawa Valley Wild Bird Care Centre (OVWBCC) plays an important role in conservation by providing care to thousands of wild birds each year, of which many are species that are endangered or threatened or at risk. A saved bird returned to its ecosystem contributes to its species' survival, and also helps reduce some of the human-caused harm that affects the natural world upon which we all depend. Birds are telling us that the health of our nation is at stake. When we help birds thrive, we sustain the essential lands and waters needed for abundant wildlife, resources, and our own well-being.

Mission

We provide care for injured, sick, or orphaned wild birds with the goal of releasing them back into their natural habitat where they can continue to play an important role within the environment. Our educational services provide people of all ages with an opportunity to learn about wild birds, their habitats and conservation.

Contact Information

The Ottawa Valley Wild Bird Care Centre is open 365 days a year for wild bird admissions.

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<https://wildbirdcarecentre.org>

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“Conservation begins with one small act of kindness, the saving of one life.”

Current Chair: Juliette Marczuk



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Today & Tomorrow



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Legacy Giving and the OVBCC

Your support for the OVBCC has likely been through cash gifts. You may wish to also consider making a legacy gift in your will to the OVBCC that avoids use of assets now that you and your loved ones might need in the future.

Including the OVBCC in your estate plans ensures that the programs and services of the OVBCC will continue.

Making a Difference: the Power of Legacy Giving

When you add the OVBCC to your estate plans, you provide the long-term financial stability necessary to maintain the OVBCC's high levels of service and programs.

Legacy gifts allow you to express your beliefs and values and make a transformational donation - they are a lasting statement of your kindness. Planned gifts can offer significant tax advantages - for example, if your net

income in the year of your death is lower than the amount you give, your executor can claim a rebate against your previous year's income and add that to your estate.

Most legacy gifts are easy to arrange - for example, your lawyer can simply include a clause in a new will or a codicil (amendment in your will), naming the OVBCC as a beneficiary.

Different Types of Legacy Gifts

Legacy gifts can take many forms. Usually, they involve a bequest left in your will or listing the charity as a beneficiary to life insurance policies, Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSPs), Registered Retirement Income Funds (RRIFs) or securities.

Making a decision to leave a legacy gift does not mean that nothing will be left for your loved ones. Prospective donors are often concerned about the potential size of their estate. When this is the case, legacy giving can be arranged which allows people to plan for an estate of any size. This can be done through residual gifts and percentage gifts. Residual gifts allow portions of your estate to be designated to the

loved ones in your will and the remainder can be given to one or more charities. Alternatively, you can choose what percentage of your estate is given to loved ones or to charity. This helps determine what proportions of your estate go where, without worrying about how much will be given to each recipient.

If you would like more information about the OVBCC and legacy gifts, please contact:

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She will talk with you about how we can best honour your gift, through the level of recognition that suits your wishes.

The OVBCC recommends that you seek professional advice to ensure your financial goals are considered, your tax situation is reviewed, and any planned gifts are tailored to your personal circumstances and desires.