



Transforming Care With a Gift to Mayo Clinic



Simple but significant.

Uncover the Benefits of a Gift in Your Will or Trust

We are extremely grateful for your gifts. Large or small — every dollar makes a difference. If you want to ensure that your support for Mayo Clinic continues even after you are gone, you may be interested in the simplicity of a gift in your will or trust. Here are some common questions about this popular way to give, along with their answers.

How does this kind of gift work?

With a gift in your will or revocable living trust, you can give a percentage of your estate or a certain amount of cash, securities or property. After your lifetime, Mayo Clinic will use your gift to provide the best care to every patient through integrated clinical practice, education and research.

Although this is one of the simplest ways to support Mayo Clinic's future, you will need the help of a qualified estate planning attorney. Your attorney can help you create a gift that allows you to meet your personal, financial and philanthropic goals. Contact us for sample language you can share with your attorney.

What are the main benefits of this gift type?

A gift in a will or trust is consistently among the most popular ways our benefactors provide long-term support for Mayo Clinic, in large part because this type of gift is so simple to set up. Here are two other key benefits:

1. You can change your mind at any time. A gift in your will or trust does not go into effect until after you are gone, giving you the opportunity to update or amend it at any time during your lifetime.

Plus, since you're not actually parting with assets today, you don't need to worry that you won't have enough to live on in the future should your circumstances change. This flexibility allows you to balance your generosity with your concerns about living expenses and future medical costs.

2. You have options. You can make a gift of a specific amount, but that's not the only option. Most of us don't have a firm grasp on the sizes of our estates, and because it's hard to place monetary values on belongings with sentimental meaning, making a gift of a percentage is a perfect option.

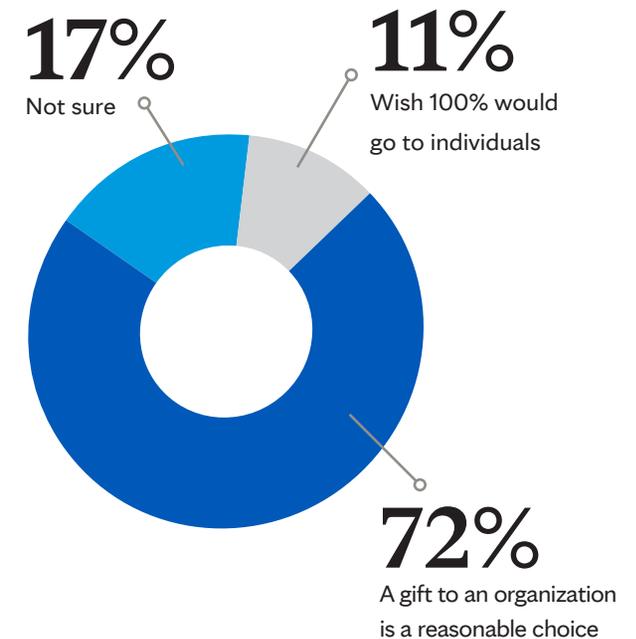
Whatever your final estate's value, you can use a portion of it to benefit Mayo Clinic and rest easy knowing that your loved ones will also be taken care of. Even a small percentage can make a significant impact.

5%–10%

Even a gift of 5%–10% of your estate can make an impact on Mayo Clinic. Contact us to learn more about supporting our work through your will or trust.



How Loved Ones Really Feel About Sharing Their Inheritance



I have already included Mayo Clinic in my will or trust. Do I need to do anything to let you know?

Please share this good news by contacting us at 800-297-1185 or giftplanning@mayo.edu or visiting philanthropy.mayoclinic.org/bequest. That way we can ensure that your gift will be used exactly as you intend. Plus, it would be our honor to thank you for your gift. Your generosity may also inspire others to consider this simple way to extend their support. We will respect any wishes regarding anonymity, of course.

Do I have to direct my gift to a specific program or area of research?

Not at all. In fact, when you make your gift unrestricted, or for our general purposes, you ensure that Mayo Clinic can direct your support to the most critical and innovative areas of research and care at that time.

Because the pace of discovery is accelerating every day, an unrestricted gift is often the smartest option for creating the greatest impact in the future. And you can rest assured knowing that Mayo Clinic takes stewarding your generous support very seriously, regardless of your designation.

I am interested in adding a gift to my will or trust. How do I get started?

First, decide how much you would like to give and what to give — you can fund a gift with cash, securities, property or other assets. Remember, even a small amount can help us provide the best care to every patient well into the future.

Then, share Mayo Clinic's sample language with your estate planning attorney to create the gift. It's that simple!

Don't be afraid to have an honest conversation with your loved ones about your plans and your desire to support Mayo Clinic in the future. They may be more supportive than you expect, especially when they understand why you feel the way you do.

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