

Legacy Society Options

A planned gift is a flexible and creative way to strengthen Mainspring and its mission while meeting your personal, family or financial goals.

Below are some options to consider for a planned gift. Some offer immediate income tax deductions, while others allow your heirs to minimize estate or gift taxes. We encourage you to also discuss ideas with your financial advisor.

Bequest/Estate Plans

A bequest is a gift from your estate — a transfer of cash, securities, or other property — made through your will or living trust, gifted to Mainspring.

Mainspring can be named as a primary or a contingent beneficiary of all or a portion of your IRA, 401K or other qualified retirement plan.

Retirement Plans

Conservation Land Gift

Land trusts are in the unique position to accept gifts of real estate, including undeveloped land with conservation values that Mainspring can conserve forever.

A trade land is property without significant conservation values that is donated with the understanding that it will be sold in the future and the proceeds will help preserve significant conservation properties elsewhere.

Trade Land Gift

Life Insurance

Supporters can choose to designate Mainspring as a beneficiary of their life insurance policy.

Establishing a charitable gift annuity, charitable remainder trust, or charitable lead trust can be options.

Other Options



NEXT STEPS



While planning a Legacy Gift is a personal and private decision, we would like to meet with you, to both thank you now and make sure that the gift will be used like you intend later.

Your gift can be anonymous, but if you agree, Mainspring Legacy Society members will be listed in our Annual Report, and we hope to host events for members in the future.



If you need help defining how you'd like your gift to best benefit Mainspring, Legacy Ambassadors - volunteers with extensive knowledge of planned gifts and Mainspring's mission - can meet and discuss these options in greater detail.

Feel safe about your decision - We are accredited through the Land Trust Alliance, a national organization representing more than 1,700 land trusts across the U.S.

