



Planned Giving: Leaving a Legacy

We hope you will consider The Thurman Brisban Center (The Brisben Center) in your estate and financial planning. Planned giving provides for a gift, generally to be made in the future, to a recognized charitable organization, which is vital to the charity's longevity. It can also provide financial and tax benefits to the donor. A planned gift to the Center, such as a cash bequest under a will or trust agreement, can help ensure that the Center and its volunteers will continue to serve our community's homeless population for many years.

Your planned gift can be simple to accomplish and will memorialize your faithful support for the homeless at Brisben while leaving a legacy for you, a family member, or your entire family. You have been a part of the amazing Brisben story, and in this way, you can continue to contribute to the Center's future.

Have you been blessed with a surplus, or perhaps have more than you currently need to continue to live your lifestyle comfortably? With your plan for a future gift in place, you are leaving a legacy for helping the homeless. **Although we can assist you as you get started, it is important that you contact your legal and financial advisors to help you implement your plan.** For additional information, please see our **FAQs** and contact information below.

FAQs

What is "Planned Giving"?

Planned giving provides for *a future* gift to a charity, such as The Thurman Brisben Center, through your financial and estate documents. The simplest form of planned giving is a bequest, that is a gift of cash or other personal property, described in your will or trust instrument to be given to specific individuals and/or organizations.

You can also designate The Brisben Center as one of the beneficiaries of your retirement plan, IRA account, life insurance policy, bank accounts or other financial assets. **It is essential that you consult with your tax and/or legal advisor about your individual tax and financial situation.**

How do I make a 'planned giving' bequest to The Thurman Brisben Center?

Since you will need a Will and possibly other legal documents that describe who should receive your estate following your death, you should contact your attorney and your



financial advisor to discuss your intentions. We will be pleased to provide additional information about our organization that you or your advisors may require.

How will The Thurman Brisben Center know that I have made a planned gift to The Center?

Once your bequest to Brisben is memorialized in your Will or Trust Agreement, or you have designated The Thurman Brisben Center as a beneficiary of a plan or policy, please contact us using the information listed below. We will send you The Thurman Brisben Center "Planned Giving Recognition" form to document your intended future contribution. This will be helpful so that we can express our gratitude for your support, and if appropriate, celebrate your future gift.

Contact information: For additional information or questions regarding planned giving, please contact:

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