



By collaborating with others in works of Mercy we continually learn from them how to be more merciful. —*Constitutions of the Sisters of Mercy, Article #6*

There are different ways our friends and benefactors can help ensure our mission will continue far into the future. All gifts to the Sisters of Mercy are tax deductible as allowed by law.

Cash Gifts

Donations of cash are an immediate and gratifying way to give immediate support.

Credit Card Gifts

Cash donations can be made either on line or by mail using a credit card.

Non-Cash Gifts

Stocks, bonds and tangible assets can also be given directly to the Sisters of Mercy with certain tax advantages.

Matching Gifts

Some employers offer matching gifts which allow employees the opportunity to increase their donations. In these circumstances the employer provides the form which is given to the employee and sent to the Sisters of Mercy. The employer then sends a matching gift from the company.

Honorary and Memorial Gifts

An honorary gift is a way to recognize a living person for any special occasion of accomplishment. Memorials are donations made in memory of a deceased relative or friend.

Bequests

A bequest is one of the easiest and most beneficial means for you to provide for your family and loved ones, while at the same time, supporting your favorite charities, such as the Sisters of Mercy. A will is essential to carrying out your wishes. In your will, you can specify that after family and friends are cared for, the remainder of your estate can be distributed to the Sisters of Mercy. Another option is to specify that the Sisters of Mercy receive a predetermined gift.

If you already have a will, you easily can amend it through a simple legal transaction known as a "codicil." While a codicil must be signed and witnessed in accordance with the laws of your state, it provides an easy vehicle for you to include the Sisters of Mercy as a beneficiary of your estate. Whatever type of bequest you wish to make, a will is essential because it ensures that your wishes are explained, documented and clearly understood. Otherwise, a court will make those decisions after your death.

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