

How Can I add the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc. to my Will?

There are several ways you can name HSDC as a beneficiary in your will or trust. You may choose to give specific assets, a portion of your estate, or your residual estate after payment of other bequests.

You can state how you would like your gift to be used.

- State for a specific purpose or program.
- Designate “wherever the need is greatest” so HSDC can choose to use your gift to fulfill our mission.
- Direct gift to our general operating fund.
- Direct gift to our large animal fund.
- Direct gift to our spay/neuter program.

Sample Bequest Language for Wills:

Residual estate (after other bequests or designations are named)-

“I give to the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc., located in Superior, Wisconsin, the rest and residue of my estate to be used by the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc. wherever the need is greatest.”

Portion of the estate-

“I give to the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc., located in Superior, Wisconsin, _____% of my estate to be used by the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc. wherever the need is greatest.”

Specific amount-

“I give to the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc., located in Superior, Wisconsin, the sum of \$_____ to be used by the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc. wherever the need is greatest.”

Specific property-

“I give to the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc., located in Superior, Wisconsin, all of my right, title and interest in the following described real estate (*insert legal description of property*) to be used by the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc. wherever the need is greatest.”

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We would like to invite you to join several of our supporters who have already acted to ensure the future of our organization by becoming a Legacy Donor for HSDC. An exclusive group of dedicated supporters who have made planned gifts which will help protect the lost, homeless, and abandoned animals in our community for years to come. After a lifetime of compassion, making a planned gift through your will, trust, or a charitable gift annuity could make a lasting difference in the lives of animals in need.

We look forward to working with you to design a gift that meets your charitable and financial goals. We want to help you dream about our future and yours. As a Legacy Donor, you will receive special recognition (with your permission) in HSDC Newsletter and become part of our Paws to Honor donor wall, located inside our shelter. We will present you with a certificate of appreciation to remind you of the impact that your generosity will make on the lives of homeless animals in the Douglas County area.

If you have already made plans to include HSDC as a beneficiary, we encourage you to fill out our Bequest Notification form so that we can recognize you as a Legacy Donor and appropriately thank you for your generosity. If you would like more information about your planned giving options before you decide to commit to a gift, we encourage you to talk with your attorney or financial advisor. If you need assistance contacting a legal professional to help you or would like more information on becoming a Legacy Donor, please call our Fundraising & Events Coordinator at (715) 398-6784. All inquiries will be kept strictly confidential and imply no obligation to make a gift.

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