

## Making a Bequest to Bridges for Women

Thank you for considering leaving a bequest to Bridges for Women in your will. Legacy gifts are an impactful way of celebrating your values and creating lasting positive impact for women affected by trauma.

A bequest to a registered charity generates a receipt to your estate for the full value of your gift; this generates a significant tax credit that is applied to your final tax return. Please consult with a professional advisor when making plans for your estate.

## How to Leave a Gift in Your Will

It is important to clearly identify the name of charity to which you intend to leave a bequest. You can do this by including our full name, **Bridges for Women Society**, and our charitable tax number – **CRA# 13601 9148 R0001**.

Here are three common examples of bequest wording:

**<u>1. Residue of your estate</u>**: All the residue of my estate, including, without limitation, real and personal property, I give, devise, and bequeath to Bridges for Women Society – CRA# 13601 9148 R0001.

**<u>2. Specific dollar amount:</u>** I give, devise, and bequeath to Bridges for Women Society – CRA# 13601 9148 R0001 \$\_\_\_\_\_.

<u>3. Percentage of your estate:</u> I give, devise, and bequeath to Bridges for Women Society – CRA# 13601 9148 R0001, \_\_% of my estate.

## Help Us Plan to Receive Your Gift

If you are comfortable doing so, please let us know of your intentions related to your estate. All details related to your plans are kept confidential. If possible, we encourage you to send us a letter with a photocopy of the portion of your will that refers to your legacy gift, or providing a written record of your wishes.

## Have Questions?

If you have questions about legacy giving, or if you would like to direct your gift to a specific program area, please contact:

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