



Legacy Society

Leave a Legacy

You can leave a legacy. No matter your means, you can leave a legacy that speaks to your love of nature. How you direct the distribution of your assets at your death conveys what you value *in life*. Legacy gifts to Great Peninsula Conservancy (GPC) make a strong statement about your passion for natural areas and wildlife. Legacy gifts have a tremendous impact on GPC's efforts to protect pristine shorelines, salmon streams, evergreen forests, and wildlife-rich wetlands throughout the Great Peninsula. These lands are your legacy and they will be protected *forever* as a result of your foresight and generosity.

Legacy Gift Options

Legacy gifts can take several forms. You can leave a gift in your will, name Great Peninsula Conservancy as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or life insurance policy, or fund a charitable remainder trust that will let you enjoy income and tax benefits now while leaving a legacy to support GPC in the future. *GPC cannot give financial or legal advice. Please consult your financial and legal advisors for advice on which option is best for you.*

- **Bequest/Will** – In your will, designate Great Peninsula Conservancy (EIN 91-1110978), located at 423 Pacific Avenue, Suite 401, Bremerton, WA 98337, as beneficiary of a portion or all of your estate. A gift made in this manner goes through probate.
- **Bequest of Land** – GPC accepts land for resale, with the proceeds benefitting GPC's conservation mission, and land with exceptional ecological features for permanent conservation. Before leaving land to Great Peninsula Conservancy, please speak with GPC staff to ensure we are able to accommodate your intentions for the land.
- **Retirement Plan** – Name Great Peninsula Conservancy as beneficiary of some or all of your IRA, 401(k), or other retirement plan. A gift made in this manner avoids probate. When dividing assets among heirs and charities, financial advisors often recommend you give your appreciated stock and real estate to heirs and make charities beneficiaries of all or a portion of your (non-Roth IRA) retirement funds.
- **Life Insurance** – Designate Great Peninsula Conservancy as beneficiary of your life insurance policy. A gift made in this manner avoids probate.
- **Charitable Remainder Trust** – Place cash or other assets in a trust that pays annual income to you or a loved one for life. You receive income tax benefits the year you establish the trust. After your death, Great Peninsula Conservancy receives the remainder of the trust.

GPC Legacy Society

Great Peninsula Conservancy's Legacy Society recognizes those who make legacy gifts to Great Peninsula Conservancy. Donors are recognized during their lifetime, when their legacy gift commitment is made known to the Conservancy, and in subsequent years. Legacy donors continue to be recognized after their death. Legacy donors are asked to complete a Legacy Pledge Card. If appropriate, please also provide a copy of the document (will, retirement plan or life insurance beneficiary designation form, or trust agreement) describing your legacy gift (optional).

Benefits of Legacy Society Membership

Legacy Society donors receive these benefits:

- Annual recognition in Great Peninsula Conservancy's Annual Report as a Legacy Society donor.
- Engraved GPC Legacy Society rock that you can proudly display in your home, office, or garden.
- Invitation to an annual Legacy Society event.

Great Peninsula Conservancy – Legacy Pledge Card

Please help Great Peninsula Conservancy plan for the future by providing details of your legacy gift below. Knowledge of your gift also will enable Great Peninsula Conservancy to recognize your generosity in your lifetime. If you have not yet made a legacy gift to Great Peninsula Conservancy but would like more information, we would be glad to assist you. We also encourage you to speak to your own financial advisor. Great Peninsula Conservancy understands that your legacy gift commitment may be changed at any time. Thank you!

I have made a Legacy Gift to Great Peninsula Conservancy as follows:

Bequest/Will Retirement Plan Life Insurance Policy Charitable Remainder Trust

I have enclosed a copy of the gift document (will, beneficiary form, or trust agreement). [Optional]

As of today, the approximate dollar value of my Legacy Gift is: [Optional]

\$10,000 \$25,000 \$50,000 \$100,000 \$250,000 \$500,000 \$1 million Other \$ _____

I wish to be a member of Great Peninsula Conservancy's Legacy Society.

I wish my gift to remain anonymous during my lifetime.

I am interested in making a Legacy Gift to GPC. Please contact me.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mail to: Great Peninsula Conservancy, 423 Pacific Avenue, Suite 401, Bremerton, WA 98337
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