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for FAMILIES

# Gifts of Retirement Funds

**Thank you for considering a gift to Clements Centre for Families in support of children, youth, and adults with diverse abilities.**

Donating retirement savings allows you to create a lasting legacy for Clements Centre Society (Clements) (Charitable No.107269466 RR 0001)– once your needs and those of your loved ones have been met.

A gift of retirement savings enables you to create a significant, cost-effective, and lasting legacy with Clements Centre Society while also providing significant tax advantages.

Many Canadians pass away leaving large amounts of both RRSPs and RRIFs in their estates, creating tax implications that merit prior consideration.

## **Benefits of making a gift of RRSPs or RRIFs**

- You can designate your gift to a Clements Centre Society (Charitable No.107269466 RR 0001) priority that meets your interests
- You have use of your RRSP/RRIFs while you are alive
- A gift of RRSP/RRIFs is tax-effective:
  - Your estate may claim charitable gifts in the year of death and the preceding year.
  - RRSP/RRIFs become fully taxable as income in the year of death, usually at the highest marginal tax rate, unless any remaining funds in a RRSP or RRIF can be rolled over to a surviving spouse or certain financially dependent children/grandchildren as beneficiaries.
  - Gifting these RRSP/RRIFs may provide significant tax advantages to your estate.
- RRSP/RRIF gifts are revocable and can be changed if your financial circumstances change  
Donations of a retirement plan to Clements Centre Society can significantly reduce tax for an estate, providing greater assets for residuary beneficiaries:
- You may name Clements Centre Society (Charitable No.107269466 RR 0001) as the designated beneficiary of the RRSP/RRIF in the plan documents;

**OR**

- Name your estate as the Clements Centre Society(Charitable No.107269466 RR 0001) in your Will.

Please note that while you may choose to withdraw funds from retirement savings to make a gift, such a course of action will trigger tax and any tax benefits accrued from the gift may well be lost in taxes payable.

NOTE: The purpose of this Fact Sheet is to provide general information, not to render legal or financial advice. Any changes in tax structure may affect the examples listed in this information. Clements Centre Society strongly recommends that a donor consult their own professional advisors, family, and heirs prior to making any significant gift decisions.



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While there is no obligation on your part to discuss your gift with Clements, contacting us when you are planning your estate will help ensure your wishes are understood when you are no longer able to make them clear. We recommend working together to create a clear fund agreement now that establishes the terms of the endowment fund that your estate creates. This agreement does not obligate you to make the gift. It simply helps ensure that we understand how you wish your gift to be used once we receive it.

It is also a good idea to make your loved ones aware of your intentions to leave a gift to Clements. If you wish, they may be actively involved in the fund established through your estate.

## Donation Process

- Call us to discuss how a gift in your Will can create or add to a fund to support Clements's initiatives important to you
- Consult your professional advisors so that your gift reflects your overall estate and tax planning considerations
- Have your advisor change the designated beneficiary of your RRSP/RRIF to Clements Centre Society (Charitable No.107269466 RR 0001) or update or create your will to include a gift to Clements Centre Society in support of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Upon realization of your estate, Clements will receive your gift and put it to work to support the Clements priorities you specified in your Fund Agreement
- A receipt for tax purposes will be issued to your estate for the full fair market value of your gift based on rules outlined in the Canada Income Tax Act.

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*Thank You!*