

# Gifts in Your Will

## Building a strong future for the Ukrainian Canadian Community

### WHO CAN LEAVE A GIFT IN THEIR WILL?

Anyone can leave a gift of any size in their will. If you believe in the importance of developing and supporting Ukrainian culture and heritage in Canada, you may wish to leave a gift in your will to the Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko (Shevchenko Foundation). In fact, you may even be able to make a bigger impact than you thought possible when you make a planned gift.

### HOW WILL THE SHEVCHENKO FOUNDATION USE MY GIFT?

We promise to use your gift wisely and carefully according to your wishes. Your bequest may be unrestricted, or you may choose to establish a fund in your family name. By remembering the Shevchenko Foundation in this way, you will ensure many lifetimes of support for years to come.

### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO LEAVE A GIFT TO CHARITY IN MY WILL?

A gift in your will is important as this will be your final, lasting gift to a cause you truly believe in. You can feel good knowing that your support for the Shevchenko Foundation will continue to carry on. Secondly, gifts in wills create vital income used to provide funding assistance for the purpose of advancing the development of Ukrainian cultural heritage in Canada.

### HOW CAN I LEAVE A GIFT TO THE SHEVCHENKO FOUNDATION AND PROVIDE FOR MY LOVED ONES?

You may wish to leave a residual gift to the Shevchenko Foundation. This means you take care of your family first, along with any debts, before leaving whatever is left to the Shevchenko Foundation.

## WHAT IF I HAVE A WILL?

If you already have a will and would like to leave a gift to the Shevchenko Foundation, you can add a document called a codicil to your new or existing will.

A sample codicil could take this form:

“This is a codicil made by me, [*your name*] of [*where you live*] dated [*today’s date*] to my will dated \_\_\_\_\_. I leave the Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko of 202-952 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB R2W 3P4 / Charity No. 11927 3472 RR001, a gift in my will of [*amount or % of estate or % of estate’s residue*]. In all other respects, I confirm my said will.”

## USE OUR LEGAL NAME

If you decide to leave a gift in your will to the Shevechenko Foundation, it is most important that you use our full legal name “The Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko” to avoid any confusion.

**Legal Name:** The Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko

**Address:** 202-952 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB R2W 3P4

**Charitable Registration Number:** 11927 3472 RR001

## NOTIFY US OF YOUR GIFT

Some people leave a planned gift to The Shevchenko Foundation without informing us - we welcome the opportunity to express our gratitude, and invite you to be inducted into the Kobar Fellowship. By making your gift known, you can also inspire others to make a similar gift to the Shevchenko Foundation, and help ensure a strong and viable future for the Ukrainian community in Canada.

## WE'RE HERE TO HELP

**If you have questions, or would like more detailed information,** please contact us at 1-866-524-5314 or [donna@shevchenkofoundation.ca](mailto:donna@shevchenkofoundation.ca)

Please Seek Expert Advice: The Shevchenko Foundation strongly recommends that you seek professional advice to ensure your financial goals are considered, your tax situation reviewed, and that your legacy gift is tailored to your circumstances. The Shevchenko Foundation recommends that you consult your lawyer or estate planner regarding specific wording of any gift in a will.

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