What Are Legacy Gifts?

Legacy gifts require forethought as part of your overall financial and estate planning. They build the foundation for the future. Through planning, your gift can work effectively to meet your personal needs and support the college’s future.

Bequests
With a simple codicil, you can add the Foundation to your will. You can even remember us “last” by bequeathing the residual of your estate to the Foundation.

Life Income Gifts
A gift to the Foundation can offer a lifelong income. With a charitable gift annuity, you can receive lifelong guaranteed payments for one or two people, no matter how the economy fluctuates. Whatever funds remain after your lifetime will go to support the Foundation.

Beneficiary Designation
You can make Westchester Community College Foundation a beneficiary of your retirement plan or insurance policy.

Free Consultation & Resources

We know that planning a legacy gift is a significant step, and we are grateful to be considered for this lasting tribute.

You don’t need to be sure about your plans before you call Linda Champanier directly at 914-606-6804 or email linda.champanier@sunywcc.edu. She’ll be happy to answer questions, send sample bequest language, or meet with you to discuss options for a life income gift.

There is absolutely no obligation and your inquiry is completely confidential. We don’t offer legal or financial advice, so we are happy to meet with your advisors if you wish.

And if you have already made plans for a legacy gift, please let us know so we have the opportunity to thank you.

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The Hartford Hall Society

We hope to welcome you as a member of the Hartford Hall Society, which honors people who have chosen to create a legacy through their bequest or other planned gifts. If you wish to include us in your estate plans, our correct legal name is Westchester Community College Foundation, Inc.

Membership in the Hartford Hall Society recognizes that your legacy gift affirms your values in an enduring way that will literally transform young lives.

We are committed to ensuring that the gift you have entrusted to us is used in the best possible way. Many people prefer to see their gift spent as necessary to respond to the college’s most urgent needs, but please let us know if you want to designate your gift.

Since it may be many years before the college receives a bequest or remainder interest in a trust, we ask that donors allow the Foundation the flexibility to spend the funds in the way that best matches the gift intent with the college’s needs.

We gratefully recognize the significance of being remembered with those you care about most.

Why Westchester?

Since 1946, Westchester Community College has grown its reputation as an extraordinary community college. Generations of students testify that their success started at Westchester Community College.

Gifts have a greater impact at Westchester Community College, where the low cost for an excellent education allows you to reach more students. For about the same cost of sending one student to a private college, we can prepare ten students to transfer to four-year colleges or to find jobs in their field when they graduate.

With visionary leadership, stability, and unwavering dedication to meeting students’ needs for academic excellence, the college has developed an exceptional array of innovative and effective programs.

- More than one in ten high school graduates in the county choose Westchester Community College
- Lifelong learning opportunities at the college serve more than 24,000 students from pre-school to seniors
- More than 300 volunteers regularly dedicate their time and talent to helping students succeed

Hartford Hall Society Members

The Westchester Community College Foundation gratefully acknowledges the following members of the Hartford Hall Society.

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“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”

—William Butler Yeats