

A Lasting Legacy



Jan Honey and Heidi Coleman at RIH Foundation's 2016 Radiothon event.

Janice (Jan) Honey knew all too well the struggles that come when faced with serious health concerns. Working physically all her life, Jan depended on her strength and mobility on a daily basis. But when Jan's knees began to deteriorate, this resilient woman did not quit working even when she was in pain. Eventually, however, her pain became excruciating, and she knew something needed to be done.

In 2009, Dr. Ackerman—an orthopedic surgeon at RIH—changed Ms. Honey's life. He performed two knee replacement surgeries on her, and once complete he told Jan, "I've done my job, now you go do yours". True to her spirit, within a month of the second surgery, she had thrown her crutches away. Little did Dr. Ackerman know, his quote would come back to him in the most unexpected way. When Ms. Honey presented Dr. Ackermann with a cheque for \$20,000 to the orthopedics department, she repeated his famous quote with a wink: "Now I've done my job. You go do yours!"

Jan continued to be a strong supporter of the surgical team at RIH in the years that followed her initial gift. Sadly, Jan passed away from cancer in January of this year. As part of her estate planning, Jan left a generous gift to the

RIH Foundation to ensure future patients could benefit from enhanced medical care, specialized tools and modern equipment at RIH.

At Royal Inland Hospital Foundation, we are fortunate to be the beneficiary of a variety of planned gifts from donors like Jan. If you are considering a charitable gift in your estate, here are a few ideas and options that

may allow you to maximize the impact of your gift while also providing important tax savings.

Bequest in your will

Bequests can be for a specific amount of money, percentage of your estate or percentage of the residue of your estate after all other gifts, taxes and expenses have been paid. In order to ensure the charity is able to accept your gift, the charity's legal name and charitable registration number should be included in your will.

Gifts of Securities

By donating securities directly to a charity, you avoid paying capital gains tax AND you receive a charitable tax receipt for the fair market value of the gift.

Life Insurance & RRSP/RRIFs

Naming a charity as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, RRIF or RRSP can also lead to significant charitable gifts and tax savings for you. These gifts are also not subject to probate and are simple to arrange.

In all of these cases, it's best to speak with your loved ones, professional advisors and your favourite charities to discuss your philanthropic goals. A planned gift may be an affordable way to support your community more than you ever imagined.



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What's your Legacy?

For over 100 years, Royal Inland Hospital has grown with our city, providing specialized and advanced care. When you leave a gift in your will to the RIH Foundation, you help ensure the continued success of the hospital and create a legacy of life-saving care for every child, adult and senior in our community.

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