



# A COLLECTIVE OF TRAINED NURSES

**PROVIDING THE BEST IN CARE FOR YOUNG PATIENTS**

In 1886, a few years after The Hospital for Sick Children opened, the School of Nursing at SickKids was formally established, and not long after (1903), the first meeting of the Alumnae Association of the School of Nursing took place. The object of the Association was, and is, the promotion of unity and camaraderie among the graduates and the advancement of the profession of nursing. The Association continues to assume a leadership role in supporting members and their families, the hospital staff, and above all the young patients at the hospital. Many have given selflessly of their time, talents and monies in support of a beloved institution.

## **ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING ENDOWMENT FUND**

Alumnae Association of the School of Nursing Endowment Fund was established to support clinical, educational and research opportunities in nursing, and assist the hospital's archives to preserve and celebrate the history of nursing at SickKids. With the creation of the endowment fund, the legacy of nursing will continue to flourish.





## FUNDING INITIATIVES

### SPECIALIZED NURSING PROJECTS

Alumnae Association of the School of Nursing Endowment Fund is designed to enhance nursing at SickKids through professional development, improvement projects and initiatives, and innovation with grants for projects that will continue to improve care.

### THE ARCHIVES

Funding through the endowment also supports the hospital's archives, which collects, preserves and celebrates the history of nursing at SickKids. This includes a collection of over 10,000 nursing-related archive materials including displays for several events including Nursing Week, and 50th Anniversary Luncheons for all classes.

## WAYS TO PROVIDE YOUR SUPPORT

**GIFT IN WILL** Gifts can be made through your will, which will have no immediate cost to you and can often enable you to make a larger gift to SickKids Foundation than you could have during your lifetime. Through your will, you can choose to leave SickKids Foundation a specific sum of money, a percentage of your estate, or a specific piece of property. Gifts made in the will can reduce or even eliminate the final income tax that would otherwise reduce what you are able to leave your heirs.

Leaving a gift for SickKids in your will is a simple but incredibly impactful way of giving. Through a gift in your will, you are helping to provide leading medical care for sick children, educate future generations of health care providers and support discoveries that can lead to recoveries.

Leaving a gift in your will is a fairly simple process. Speak to your lawyer about drafting or revising your will to include the appropriate wording. Sample wording could be: "My estate trustees shall pay the sum of \$ (or transfer assets with an equal value) to The Hospital for Sick Children Foundation, Toronto, ON, for the purpose of supporting The Alumnae Association of the School of Nursing Endowment Fund."



### Testimonial from Debbie Stone, *SickKids nurse for over 40 years*

I was a SickKids patient myself, admitted at age 11 to investigate severe headaches, and spent most of my time in the infant room talking to babies. That experience made me decide to become a 'baby' nurse. I'm so proud to say I was a nurse at SickKids. The hospital is, and was, so well-respected for its expert care and groundbreaking research. The culture of caring and learning was evident everyday and it was fabulous to learn from so many specialists in their fields. Every day brought a new learning experience, happiness with every discharge or sadness with a child passing. We wore starched nursing caps, uniforms and white shoes, and worked busy shifts in the NICU with multiple infants to care for.

SickKids offered and supported me with opportunities to pursue all my nursing interests in teaching, program development and research. I hope that my gift to the School of Nursing Alumnae Endowment fund will allow many SickKids nurses to achieve their professional goals and objectives to improve care for SickKids patients, in the same way that was possible for me.

SickKids was my life for so many wonderful years. I am honoured to be in a position to give back and help other nurses progress in their careers.







**GIFT OF SECURITIES** A gift of appreciated publicly traded securities is a tax-smart alternative to a cash donation. You will receive a charitable tax receipt for the fair market value of the donated security, and you will not pay tax on any capital gain, allowing you to give the same amount at a lower cost. Securities can include stocks, mutual funds, segregated funds, bonds, flow-through shares, and employee stock options.

**LIFE INSURANCE** Using life insurance can be a great option because it requires a minimal investment upfront but can result in a significant gift. When donating a life insurance policy, the best option will depend on whether you seek tax relief during your lifetime or for your estate. Flexible choices allow you to explore donating an existing policy, setting up a new policy as well as naming The Hospital for Sick Children Foundation as an owner and/or beneficiary of the policy.

**RRSP & RRIF** Retirement funds are one of the best means to grow wealth during your lifetime, but one of the worst ways to transfer wealth to the next generation, as they are among your most heavily taxed assets at the time of death. By naming SickKids Foundation as a beneficiary of registered plans, you will receive a tax receipt for the value of the gift, avoid probate fees by removing these assets from your estate, and significantly reduce the taxes for your estate.

**INTERNATIONAL DONORS** American, Caribbean, and United Kingdom donors can also make donations and qualify for local tax benefits. Please reach out to us to learn more.



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