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Giving

Since late 2010 the Allegany County Animal Shelter has functioned as the first and one of only two no-kill municipal shelters in the State of Maryland. Thanks to the generosity and support from people like you, we have saved the lives of countless homeless pets and helped them find their forever families.

By making a gift to the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation through your will, trust, IRA or other financial plans, you can help us continue to serve as “a shelter of hope” for the lost, abandoned and homeless pets in our community.

Including charitable giving as part of your estate planning process allows you to provide for the people and charities that matter the most to you. There are many opportunities for charitable giving, so give us a call at **301-777-5930** or email info@ashelterofhope.com for more information.

Get started by choosing the charitable gift option best for you.

Planned giving helps you meet your personal, financial, and estate planning goals by making a current or future gift to the ACAS Management Foundation. Here are the various ways to make a gift:

Will or Trust

A gift to the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation through your will or revocable living trust is a flexible and straightforward way to save the lives of pets for years to come. If you have already named the shelter in your will or trust, please let us know, as we would like the opportunity to thank you for helping further our life-saving work.

Last Will and Testament

I being of sound and disposing mind and memory and not acting under duress, menace, fraud or undue influence of any person whatsoever do hereby

There are several ways to make a gift through your will or trust:

Specific Gift: You describe what kind of gift you want to leave to a particular individual or organization and the designated source. You can choose to leave a specific dollar amount from a specific source or a particular item.

Residuary Gift: This type of bequest is honored after all other bequests have been made, and all debts, expenses, and taxes have been paid.

Retirement Assets

A gift from your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), pension, or other tax-deferred plan is an excellent way to support the work at the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation. Typically, retirement plan balances are subject to both income and estate taxes. However, because the ACAS Management Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, we will not pay income tax on the distribution, nor will the gift be subject to estate tax. To transfer your retirement assets to the ACAS Management Foundation, simply complete a beneficiary designation form provided by your plan custodian.

Life Insurance

You can name the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation as a primary life insurance beneficiary or as a contingent beneficiary should your other beneficiaries not survive you. After you pass, the benefits from your policy pass to the ACAS Management Foundation, free of the federal estate tax. To make this gift, contact your insurance carrier and request a beneficiary form.

Another option is to donate your paid-up life insurance policy to us. If the policy has cash value, the ACAS Management Foundation would have the option of either holding the policy until the maturity date or surrendering the policy to receive the policy's current cash value.

Outright Gift

An outright gift of cash or appreciated property is another easy and excellent way to contribute to the work of the ACAS Management Foundation. Your gift will be put to immediate use, and you will be entitled to a charitable income tax deduction for the full value of the gift.

Charitable IRA

A charitable IRA rollover is an attractive option for people 72 and a half years of age and older. It allows individuals to make a gift to the animals, but the distribution will not count as taxable income. Charitable IRA rollover distributions count toward required minimum distributions.



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