



### Thank you for your interest in leaving a gift in your will to Trans Canada Trail.

The Trans Canada Trail is already connected from coast to coast to coast, and it continues to grow and evolve. This national trail is a treasure that needs care and special attention to protect it for future generations.

A legacy gift in your will helps to ensure the Trail remains a vital part of communities across Canada, uniting the hearts of people just like you, as a place to connect to nature and to one another.

#### Our information for your will:

Legal name:  
Trans Canada Trail Foundation

Charitable Business Number:  
829708403RR0001

Mailing Address:  
300-321 de la Commune W  
Montreal, Quebec H2Y 2E1

## LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

### How to include Trans Canada Trail in your will

Including a gift in your will is simple. When creating or updating your will, you can take care of your family and include a gift – otherwise known as a bequest – to Trans Canada Trail.

If you already have a will, you can update it by adding a codicil. A codicil is an amending document that changes or deletes an existing provision or adds an entirely new one. Codicils are signed and witnessed in the same way wills are and are kept with the will. If your changes are major, then you should seek professional advice to determine whether you should have a new will drawn up.

### What kind of gift can I leave?

Charitable bequests can take many forms and often consist of cash and/or securities. Some of the most common types of bequests, along with sample wording for your will are below:

**Residual bequests** designate Trans Canada Trail as the beneficiary of part, or all, of your estate – but only after all debts, taxes, administrative expenses and specific bequests have been paid.

A residual bequest is a good choice if you are unsure of the size of your estate.

Sample wording: *“I give to Trans Canada Trail Foundation all (or \_\_\_\_\_%) of the residue of my estate to be used at the discretion of the organization.”*

**Percentage bequests** allow you to leave a specific percentage of your estate to be donated to Trans Canada Trail.

Sample wording for a percentage gift in your will: *“I give to Trans Canada Trail Foundation the percentage of (\_\_\_\_\_)% to be used at the discretion of the organization.”*

**Specific bequests** designate a specific amount to be donated to Trans Canada Trail.

Sample wording for a specific gift in your will: *“I give to Trans Canada Trail Foundation the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to be used at the discretion of the organization.”*

### Confirmation of legacy gift

Thank you for considering a gift to Trans Canada Trail in your will.

While you are under no obligation to tell us about your gift, we would love to hear what inspired you to leave a gift to Trans Canada Trail, if you choose to do so. Please feel welcome to send us your Declaration of Intent form, by mail or email.

We will also keep you up to date with our latest news and stories of how your gift will help to ensure the Trail remains an inclusive and welcoming place where people can connect with nature and one another, for generations to come.

**Disclaimer:** The information provided in this document is for general information purposes only. It is not intended as a substitute for professional advice. We recommend that you discuss your plans with your lawyer, financial advisor or tax consultant before proceeding with a legacy gift.

## DECLARATION OF INTENT

Name

Address

City

Province

Postal Code

Telephone

E-mail

### I/We support Trans Canada Trail with a future gift that is:

- a specific amount: \$
- a percentage of my estate
- the residue of my estate after other bequests have been made

### In honour of your commitment to Trans Canada Trail, how may we recognize your legacy gift in our publications:

- I/We would like our name/s to appear as:
- I/We wish our gift to remain anonymous

Signature of Donor

Signature of joint donor  
(if applicable)

Dated

We'd love to hear from you, please contact us at: [info@tctrail.ca](mailto:info@tctrail.ca)