



Blue River Legacy Society

Ensuring a healthy and sustainable future for the Blue River and surrounding lands.

When you make an estate gift to BRWG, you become a part of the Blue River Legacy Society, a group that honors people who have taken the visionary step of including us in their estate plans.

As a Society member, you will have the opportunity to:

- Connect with a vibrant and dedicated community united in conserving and protecting the Blue River.
- Be recognized for your generous gift or exercise the option to remain anonymous, if you prefer.
- Rest easy, knowing that your gift will be thoughtfully stewarded and have its intended impact right here in the Blue River basin by an organization with over 20 years serving our community.
- Tax Deduction: Potential tax benefits can be realized through planned giving offering benefits for you and your family while also supporting the rivers and lands that you cherish for generations.

Legacy giving (also called planned giving) refers to gifts that donors plan to be distributed from their estate after their passing. These gifts are made by supporters who wish to ensure our organization continues to fulfill our mission into the future.

Bequests

The simplest and most common form of legacy giving to the Blue River Watershed Group is the bequest. You can modify this sample language below and please consult your attorney for advice tailored to your situation.

I bequeath to the Blue River Watershed Group, a Colorado nonprofit organization in Summit County, Tax ID EIN 20-1771307, the sum of \$_____ (or _____% of my estate, or the residue of my estate), to be used for its general charitable purposes to fulfill the mission of the Blue River Watershed Group. BRWG's mailing address is PO 867 Silverthorne, CO 80498

The simplest way to leave a planned gift is to make a bequest by including specific language in your will or living trust naming the Foundation (or your fund) as the recipient of a testamentary gift.

Retirement Assets

Most Americans are eligible to participate in a tax-deferred retirement plan. You make your organization the primary, secondary, or final beneficiary of their plan or to name your organization as a recipient of a percentage of the proceeds. This money may come to you if the person dies before retirement or before they have used all the money in the plan.

You can make a gift of unused retirement assets. Simply contact the administrator of your IRA, 401(k), or other qualified plan and designate the Blue River Watershed Group as a beneficiary.

Existing Life Insurance Policies

People generally buy life insurance to protect their survivors if sufficient assets have not been accumulated. The value of the life insurance policy may cover mortgage debt or protect a business. As a person gets older, they may not need that protection and can change the beneficiary of their insurance to a charity of their choice. With certain kinds of policies, the older the life insurance policy, the more cash value it has built up and the greater the impact of this support to the Blue River Watershed Group.

Thank you for considering BRWG in your estate planning. We are always available to discuss the ways that you can further support our work to protect, promote, and restore the Blue River watershed. Please reach out to Vanessa Logsdon at director@blueriverwatershed.org or call 7192099577 to learn more or to let us know of your legacy giving plans.