Legacy giving requires trust. As the leading nonprofit for Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility, we believe we’ve earned your trust. When you make a legacy gift to the Y, you place that trust in us to use your gift to support our Y’s mission for generations to come. Your gift today ensures that tomorrow’s kids can enjoy the same chance to learn, grow, and thrive.

A legacy gift is a perfect solution when you want to hold on to assets today that you and your loved ones may need in the future. There are many types of legacy gifts, each with unique advantages. Some legacy gifts are revocable—a gift in your will or living trust, for example—so you can change your mind at any time. They can also be irrevocable—just as outright gifts are—so that you benefit from an immediate income tax deduction.

The key feature of legacy gifts like these is that they provide important benefits to you as well as to the YMCA of Greater Hartford.
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THE HERITAGE CLUB
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The purpose of this club is to encourage thoughtful gifts as a primary means of building a strong endowment capable of providing lasting support for the Y’s mission and to recognize the members whose leadership, service, and devotion to the Y has created this heritage.

When you include the YMCA of Greater Hartford in your estate plan, your generosity moves us toward healthier, more connected communities.

Thank you for ensuring that the Y can support and serve our neighbors well into the future.

YMCA OF GREATER HARTFORD ENDOWMENT FUND
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With the Y, you’re not just a member of an association, you’re part of a cause with a shared commitment to nurturing the potential of kids, improving health and well-being, and supporting our neighbors. Your endowment gift is for now and the next generations.

BECOMING A MEMBER
Membership in the Heritage Club requires a commitment which now, or in the future, will contribute to the YMCA’s Endowment Fund.

An outright minimum gift of $5,000 or naming the YMCA Endowment Fund as a beneficiary for $10,000 or more qualifies you for membership.

A variety of gift options are available:
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- Naming the YMCA Endowment Fund as a beneficiary of a new or existing life insurance policy, IRA, pension plan, or bank account
- Creating a charitable trust or annuity that directs all or a portion of the remaining assets to the YMCA Endowment Fund

In the case of a will or other deferred gift, the amount need not be revealed, but if one chooses to do so, it will aid in our long-range planning.

We would be pleased to provide you, your attorney, or financial advisor with additional information. The information presented here is general in nature. We recommend you contact your personal professional advisor to learn how this information relates to your individual circumstances.

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