

REGIONAL ANIMAL PROTECTION SOCIETY

LEGACY GIFTS

**You can change the world.
Even after you leave this world.**

*Consider leaving a
gift to the animals.*



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CANDY'S STORY

Like so many cats, Candy lived an idyllic life, loved and pampered by her devoted person. But when her person developed dementia and could no longer care for Candy, the cat's happy life was upended.

It is difficult to find homes for older animals that are left homeless due to tragedy ... so, in many jurisdictions, a cat like Candy, or an older dog, would be euthanized. But not at RAPS. Because RAPS is a no-kill agency, we either find a forever family for animals like Candy, or they live their lives surrounded by all the love and attention they can want at the RAPS Cat Sanctuary, home to hundreds of unadoptable cats. RAPS Animal Hospital and onsite veterinarians provide all the medical care these cats require.

If you have a pet, consider speaking with a RAPS representative about ensuring your beloved companion animal will be cared for even after you are gone.



Helping animals ... and their people!



A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

Because RAPS wrings every penny out of a donated dollar, your legacy gift can do so much to improve the world for a dog, cat, small mammal, bird or other animal.

We operate the RAPS Cat Sanctuary – Canada's cat sanctuary! – which is home to about 500 mostly unadoptable cats. We also operate the RAPS Adoption & Education Centre, a vast fostering network, and the full-service, not-for-profit RAPS Animal Hospital. We also advocate for animals and their people, always working with governments and the public to advance the cause of animal well-being.

Through our range of programs, we reach a vast number of animals and people in need. We provide fully or partially subsidized veterinary care for animals in households with low incomes, seniors with pets, and other animal rescue organizations.

Your legacy gift helps ensure that every animal receives the care and support they need, no matter their situation or their family's ability to pay.

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THE POWER OF A LEGACY GIFT

Your will is a powerful way to make a final, lasting statement about the things that have been important to you. Writing a will allows us to reflect on the values with which we have lived our lives – and to consider how we can have a positive impact on the world even after we are gone.

So many people have made the world better by caring for animals. Maybe you had a pet who was a beloved part of your family or you volunteered at a shelter. Maybe you made sure that wild birds had seeds in winter or that a stray dog found her way back to her home. Possibly you just have a warm heart for creatures.

Our final testament offers us one last chance to make a positive change in the world. If the well-being and happiness of animals is important to you, consider a gift in your will, to ensure that what you value in life is strengthened and supported even after you are gone.

OUR NO-KILL PROMISE

The Regional Animal Protection Society is a no-kill animal-serving agency. Under our care, no animal is ever euthanized due to lack of space, treatable illness, physical defect, age, rectifiable behavioural or socialization issues.



ARE YOU A DO-IT-YOURSELFER?

While we would be happy to connect you with an estate planner, you may prefer to add a simple line to your will, or a codicil, that assures your gift.

You can make a **Specific Bequest** by using the following wording in your will:

"I give to The Regional Animal Protection Society (charitable registration number #890733777 RR0001), the sum of \$_____ to help save and improve the lives of animals."

You can make a **Residual Bequest** by using the following wording in your will:

"I give to The Regional Animal Protection Society (charitable registration number #890733777 RR0001), _____% of the residue of my estate to help save and improve the lives of animals."

While you can do this easily, we would also appreciate it if you would let us know about your giving plans so that we can work with you to ensure that your bequest is utilized in ways that best reflect your wishes. This also allows us to thank you and acknowledge your generosity.



WHY CHOOSE RAPS?

Our no-kill promise reflects our belief that every animal has a right to a safe, healthy and happy life.

To ensure that we can save and improve the lives of as many animals as possible, we have streamlined the organization and professionalized every aspect of our operations. Then, in 2018, we opened the not-for-profit RAPS Animal Hospital. This full-service, social enterprise veterinary facility is a partnership between individuals and socially responsible corporate partners and reflects RAPS' commitment to an entrepreneurial mindset. We know that best business practices maximize the number of lives we can save.



You can also be assured that RAPS wrings every penny out of a donated dollar. A small army of volunteers and a staff working on shoestring budgets stretch every donation to save and improve the lives of as many animals as possible.

You might be surprised that there are even financial benefits you can realize while you're living as well as strategies to maximize the impacts of a legacy gift. For example, donations of life insurance or securities can deliver financial benefits now and a gift to the animals later. We have lawyers and financial planners who volunteer with RAPS to help people with will preparation and end-of-life planning.

If you would like to learn more about how a planned gift can change the world for animals and ensure that the things you care about live on, talk to us:

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