



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES
CATHOLIC HOUSING SERVICES
OF WESTERN WASHINGTON

LEAVE A *Legacy* CHANGE A LIFE

SPRING 2014

PROVIDING SHELTER AND HOPE

After a lifetime of physical work, Ron suffered a disabling injury to his leg and was unable to work. Ron struggled to find a secure place to live, winding up on the street with nowhere to turn for help. Like many people facing homelessness, his poor health and disability made things especially challenging.

Thanks to the right connection after several long years of homelessness, Ron was able to join a community of over 200 men at St. Martin de Porres Shelter, a program of Catholic Community Services offering safe and dignified shelter for homeless men aged 50 and older. Ron is “very grateful to have a place like this” that gives him a safe place to call home and hope for his future.



St. Martin de Porres Shelter recently received a generous legacy gift from a longtime donor in support of their homeless services. These types of gifts help care for the many clients served by this program while helping to keep St. Martin de Porres open 365 nights a year. This program has been open since 1984 in response to the growing need for an emergency shelter for this special population who are vulnerable to the weather, street predators and illness.

"We know that through our legacy gift, CCS/CHS can continue to provide compassionate care and support to people in need throughout Western Washington for years to come."

— Jim and Deb Tanasse



LEGACY GIVING SOCIETY

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

As Leadership Giving Society members, Jim and Deb Tanasse have been supporters of Catholic Community Services/Catholic Housing Services (CCS/CHS) for nearly 20 years. Their generous gifts in support of Katherine's House and Rita's House, CCS/CHS transitional housing programs for homeless women, have no doubt translated into many lives saved. They know that their gifts are being used to help women return to independent living and shared that "We are happy we can

help in our own way and hope that others will recognize the impact programs like these can make in our community."

Jim and Deb have included Catholic Community Services in their estate plans and continue to make impactful annual gifts. They are an integral part of our mission helping to make a life-changing impact on the people we are privileged to serve. We thank Jim and Deb and other donors who have made this commitment to leave a lasting legacy.

Join OVER 230 MEMBERS
OF OUR LEGACY GIVING SOCIETY
WHO HAVE ALREADY INCLUDED
CCS/CHS IN THEIR ESTATE PLANS!

LEAVE YOUR LEGACY

Leaving a legacy bequest to Catholic Community Services/Catholic Housing Services is simple, flexible and tax-deductible.

SIMPLE

Leaving a bequest to CCS/CHS can be as simple as adding a provision to your will or living trust. You may also choose to name CCS/CHS as a beneficiary to your life insurance, IRA or retirement fund.

FLEXIBLE

Gift bequests offer flexibility, allowing you to decide how you want to leave your legacy to CCS/CHS. You may opt to give financial assets, in-kind gifts or a percentage of your estate.

TAX-DEDUCTIBLE

Your legacy gift provides you with an estate tax charitable deduction for the full value of your gift.



As good stewards of our resources, we are pleased to report that 92¢ of every dollar spent goes directly to those in need.



Visit www.ccsww.org/plannedgiving to access our free planning tools and resources or simply provide your financial advisor with our suggested bequest language below.

"I give, devise and bequeath to Catholic Community Services (tax ID # 91-1585652) and/or Catholic Housing Services (tax ID # 91-1099134) of Western Washington, a tax-exempt organization doing business at 100 23rd Avenue South, Seattle, Washington 98144-2003, the sum of \$_____ (or) _____% of my estate (or the property described herein) to be used for _____."

(If you wish, specify the purpose, e.g., greatest need, services to the homeless, services to children and families, services to the elderly, or name a specific program of CCS/CHS.)

For more information, please contact us at 1-800-499-5979 ext. 5707 or development@ccsww.org.



Did you know?

Over 20,000 individuals are homeless on any given night in Washington State. Over half of these individuals are families with children. CCS/CHS provides shelter and transitional housing to more than 8,400 women, men and children throughout Western Washington each year.