

Naming the CAC in your will or trust

Including the Chicago Architecture Foundation (the parent organization of the CAC) in your will or trust is one of the easiest ways to share your passion for Chicago's architectural treasures with future generations. There are different options for what you may choose to give to the CAC. You can donate:

- a specific dollar amount;
- specific property (such as securities, savings bonds or personal property); or
- a percentage or portion of what remains of your estate after providing for your family and loved ones.

If you already have a will or trust, you may not need to change or redraft the entire document—ask your attorney or advisor if a codicil or amendment to the original document will suffice.

We suggest that you use the following language in your will or trust:

"I give to Chicago Architecture Foundation, an Illinois general not for profit corporation, located in Chicago, Illinois, [insert a specific dollar amount, specified property, a percentage of your estate or the residual of your estate] to be used for the general support of Chicago Architecture Foundation."

If you wish to restrict your gift for a specific purpose, we strongly encourage you to speak with a member of the development staff at the CAC to ensure that we fully understand your wishes and are able to comply with the intent of your gift.

If your gift is to be restricted in any way, please add clear language describing the restriction and include the following language:

"If, at any time, the Board of Trustees of Chicago Architecture Foundation determines that the need for funds for the purpose described above no longer exists, the Board of Trustees are authorized to use these funds in the best interest of the Chicago Architecture Foundation for a purpose as similar as practical to the purpose stated above."

Naming the Chicago Architecture Center as a beneficiary of retirement assets, financial accounts or life insurance. By simply filling out a form, you can make a gift that will help ensure that the CAC will continue to inspire people to discover why design matters for years to come. Most retirement assets, financial accounts or life insurance allow you to designate the CAC as a beneficiary, partial beneficiary, or contingent beneficiary. Contact your bank, account provider or life insurance policy provider for the necessary form and specific instructions. The following information may be helpful to you and your advisor:

- Our Legal Name: Chicago Architecture Foundation, an Illinois general not for profit corporation, located in Chicago, Illinois
- Our Legal Address: 111 E. Wacker Drive Suite 1321, Chicago, IL 60601
- Our Tax Identification Number (FEIN): 36-6144362
- The Chicago Architecture Center is part of the Chicago Architecture Foundation, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt non-profit organization

QUESTIONS? If you have question or require additional information, please contact Director of Individual Giving Beth Bentley at 312.561.2116 or bbentley@architecture.org. We are happy to work with you and your advisor to help you find the right way to make the CAC a part of your legacy.

If you do include CAF in your estate plans, please be sure to complete a Blueprint Society form with the intent of your future gift. We look forward to welcoming you as a member of the Blueprint Society.

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