



Epsilon Sigma Phi

Planned Giving to ESP Endowment Fund

Your Key to Professional Excellence

Epsilon Sigma Phi's most valuable asset is our Extension professionals and their dedication to addressing the needs of people.

The Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund supports and recognizes these Extension professionals in their pursuit of program excellence and providing education to client groups. Your contribution to the Development Fund is one way you can help ensure that Extension professionals remain the educational leaders of tomorrow.

Gifts may be made in cash, securities or property during one's lifetime.

Deferred gifts may be made by specifying Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund as beneficiaries of your estate through trust gifts, bequests and life insurance.

The Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund has met the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code that allow gifts to be deductible for income tax and estate tax purposes.

Please remember to consult an attorney and family members that may be affected as you include the Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund in your will.

Supporting ESP Through Your Charitable Gift

Your tax-deductible contribution to the Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund will support ESP's continued leadership in excellent professional development opportunities and recognition programs for current and retired Extension professionals.

Gift of Cash

Cash is the quick and easy way to give to ESP. It is as simple as writing a check to: **ESP Development Fund**. You receive an immediate income tax deduction and remove cash assets from your estate.

Gift of Life Insurance

A life insurance gift allows you to contribute a large future gift with minimal current costs to you. It can be as simple as adding **ESP Development Fund** as a beneficiary to a new or current term life insurance policy. You can also contribute a whole value life insurance policy that you no longer need. This may provide you with an immediate income tax deduction and future deductions through gifts to pay policy premiums.

Bequest in Will

In addition to expediting your last wishes concerning inheritance or other financial provisions to family members, a bequest is a great way to support charitable entities that have meant something to you throughout your life.

A bequest is simply a provision made in your will or living trust. It is the most common type of planned gift. Often, a gift for charity is provided in a person or couple's will by making a bequest of a specific amount of money.

Alternates to this may also include a specific property, a percentage of the estate, or anything left after final expenses and loved ones have been taken care of. Like other gifts, bequests can be made in memory of loved ones.

To include the Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund in your will, remember to consult an attorney and family members that may be affected. Additionally, be specific in the bequest statement as to the entity receiving the bequest.

Sample Bequest Language

To include a gift to the ESP in your will or living trust, we suggest that you and your legal advisor consider the following language:

Describe the gift "...to Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund, a public non-profit corporation,"

- ◆ the sum of \$ _____
- ◆ _____ [description of specific property]
- ◆ _____% of my estate owned by me at my death
- ◆ the residue of my property owned by me at my death to fund the Epsilon Sigma Phi Development Fund."
- ◆ Contributor Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

ST: _____ Zip: _____

Chapter Affiliation: _____

E-Mail: _____

Endowment Funding Initiatives

- ◆ Scholarships for professional development opportunities that will strengthen priority educational needs.
- ◆ Graduate study scholarships to promote teaching and research excellence.
- ◆ Internships with continuing education in public policy, personnel management and administration.
- ◆ Publishing of educational materials to stimulate teaching distinction.
- ◆ Support research to enhance local educational programming.
- ◆ Recognition for Extension professionals who have demonstrated educational competencies.

Questions? Need Additional Information?

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