One Woman. One Vision. Over 2 million lives transformed. Nobel-prize winning author and humanitarian Pearl S. Buck left a legacy where cultures were bridged, hope was created and lives were transformed forever. Now, you can leave your legacy by becoming a member of the Pearl S. Buck Camellia Circle.

What is the Camellia Circle? The Camellia Circle is an exclusive membership program that recognizes those who are committed to transforming lives well after their own lifetime by including Pearl S. Buck International in their will, and/or as a beneficiary of their life insurance, retirement plan or trust. When you join the Camellia Circle, you will receive an exclusive membership pin, enrollment certificate and other benefits as our way of saying thank you for helping those in need.

Making a Bequest To name Pearl S. Buck International in a will or trust, use this sample language:

I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to Pearl S. Buck International, located in Perkasie, Pennsylvania, a nonprofit corporation organized and operating under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the sum of $______ to be used for general purposes.

Questions?
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Perkasie, PA 18944
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All information regarding Planned Gifts is held in the strictest of confidence and donors may choose to remain anonymous. The information contained in this brochure is for informational purposes only and is not intended to serve as legal or tax advice. For specific information about any of the above opportunities, please consult your tax adviser or attorney.
Bequests in a Will or Trust

Is Pearl S. Buck International named in your will or trust? A bequest is a wonderful way to leave a meaningful gift to ensure that Pearl S. Buck International’s legacy continues. If you do not have a will, or need to update your plan, you will find sample language in the Making a Bequest section of this brochure.

If you name Pearl S. Buck International in your will or other estate plan, please let us know! This information is helpful in planning for the future and we would like to enroll you in the Pearl S. Buck Camellia Circle. Camellia Circle members receive exclusive benefits and your gift may remain anonymous, if you choose.

Retirement Plans

Your IRA, 401k, 403b, or other retirement plan is a wonderful way to leave a legacy. You can name Pearl S. Buck International as a full or partial beneficiary. Did you know that retirement plans left to individuals or family trusts are some of the most heavily taxed upon death? Up to 70% of your plan’s value could be lost to taxes. As a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, Pearl S. Buck International receives these same assets free of all taxes.

Life Insurance

You can leave a significant legacy by donating a paid-up policy you may have outgrown, or by naming Pearl S. Buck International as a beneficiary of an insurance policy. Life insurance paid to a charity is not subject to Federal estate tax and you may be able to receive an income tax deduction for your premium payments.

How to Update a Retirement Plan or Life Insurance Beneficiary

To update your plan or policy, simply call your provider/agent and request a “change of beneficiary form.” You may also be able to obtain this form through their website. Simply fill out the form and name Pearl S. Buck International, Perkasie, PA, tax ID 23-1637212 as a partial or full beneficiary.

Securities

Gifts of appreciated stocks, bonds and other securities you own for at least one year are eligible for your charitable income tax deduction based on their fair market value on the gift date, and no capital gains tax is due on the appreciated value. To transfer Stocks, Corporation Bonds, and Municipal Bonds that are DTC eligible please use the following information:

- Vanguard
  455 Devon Park Drive
  Wayne, PA 19087-1815
  For Account: 36964692
  DTC number: 0062
  Account Name: Pearl S. Buck International Inc.

Charitable Gift Annuities

A Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) is another option for making a planned gift to Pearl S. Buck International while receiving retirement income and tax benefits. For more information about CGAs, please contact: Susan Savage, Vice President of Development, 215-249-0100 x130 or ssavage@pearlsbuck.org.

Brokerage or Other Accounts

Most people do not realize that they can leave assets from their accounts to their favorite charitable organizations. You may name a charity as a full, partial or contingent beneficiary to a brokerage, savings or other account. For instance, one generous donor is making her favorite charity a 5% beneficiary of her brokerage account, leaving the rest to her heirs. She just filled out a simple “change of beneficiary form” offered by her account representative.

Trusts and Other Strategic Charitable Planning

Hard-earned assets are worth protecting and various charitable strategies can safeguard family assets while providing security for loved ones and your favorite charities, like Pearl S. Buck International. Consider having a charitable planning conversation with your advisor about a Charitable Remainder Trust or other types of trust. If you have a donor-advised fund, please consult with your advisor about strategic gifts to Pearl S. Buck International.

Thank you for caring. As a person who supports the mission of Pearl S. Buck International, you are building better lives for children around the globe, providing opportunities to explore and appreciate other cultures, and keeping the legacy of Pearl S. Buck alive by preserving her National Historic Landmark home in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Many people just like you are considering strategic, planned gifts as a way to make a meaningful difference. Please use this helpful guide to learn more. Should you have any general questions, please contact Susan Savage, Vice President of Development at 215-249-0100 X130 or ssavage@pearlsbuck.org.