



Leaving a Lasting Legacy for the Work of RESTORE HOPE

...restoring hope to individuals and communities through Christ-centered, church-based proclamation and service...

Chances are you have already made a charitable contribution to RESTORE HOPE in the past. But have you considered including us in your will or estate planning to create a lasting legacy that enables a cross-cultural witness of Christ throughout the world?

Q. What exactly does it mean to leave a legacy?

A. Basically, it means leaving a gift from your “estate” to a non-profit charitable organization, such as RESTORE HOPE, commonly referred to as “planned or deferred giving.” If you own anything at all, you own an “estate.” This includes real estate, cash, all property, investments, retirement plans, life insurance, and other appreciated assets. Your estate may be larger than you think!

Whether your bequest is \$100 or \$1,000,000, you can support our mission beyond your lifetime by choosing to leave a bequest for RESTORE HOPE.

Q. How do I leave a gift for RESTORE HOPE?

A. It’s simple! You can arrange to leave a gift to RESTORE HOPE through a will or a living trust. You can set aside a certain dollar amount; leave a percentage of your estate or assets left over after providing for the family and paying taxes and creditors; you can leave a paid-up life insurance policy, retirement account or other types of financial investments.

If you decide to include us in your will or estate plan, please name us as: **RESTORE HOPE**, a registered non-profit corporation, Texas, USA and with the business address of 301 S. Center #325, Arlington, TX 76010. Our tax identification number is 208-52-8638

Q. Do I have to include my wish to leave a gift to RESTORE HOPE?

A. Your bequest cannot take effect unless you state your intention in your will or living trust. So, please remember to put your wishes in writing!

Q. Do I have to completely revise my will to leave a bequest?

A. No. You will need to ask your attorney to amend your will or trust to include us as a beneficiary and designate the amount of your bequest or leave a percentage of your estate to RESTORE HOPE.

Q. Can I leave a gift in memory or honor of a person?

A. Yes. A memorial gift or honorarium is a meaningful way to perpetuate the values and ideas you share with a loved one.

Q. Can I leave a gift for a specific purpose?

A. Yes. You may give for specific projects that RESTORE HOPE has approved and set up. When making a decision to support a project through RESTORE HOPE, it is important to obtain the project account to indicate your support preference.

Q. **Must my bequest be unrestricted?**

A. There are several good options: 1) a bequest may be directed to a particular RESTORE HOPE project (restricted); 2) you can tell us to apply it to our general budget or use it for the need that we believe is most pressing at the time we receive your gift (unrestricted). So that your gift can be most useful, we prefer that the terms of the bequest be as general as possible (unrestricted). Please consult your attorney for assistance in this particular area of the bequest.

Q. **How do I get started in leaving a lasting contribution?**

A. Planning your estate is an effective way to make a lasting contribution to RESTORE HOPE. Let's take a look at the most common ways of leaving a bequest:

- Leaving RESTORE HOPE a gift through your will or revocable living trust;
- Designate RESTORE HOPE as beneficiary of your bank account, retirement and pension plan, or insurance policy; and/or
- Donate securities (stock), personal property, real estate, and insurance policies.

The following language may be useful to you and your attorney as you review ways in which you can best include RESTORE HOPE in your will or revocable trust.

For a specific amount:

"I bequeath to RESTORE HOPE, a registered non-profit corporation, Texas, USA, EIN 208-52-8638 at 301 S. Center #325, Arlington, TX 76010, the sum of _____ dollars (\$_____) for its general purposes."

For a specific piece of property:

"I bequeath to RESTORE HOPE, a registered non-profit corporation, Texas, USA, EIN 208-52-8638 at 301 S. Center #325, Arlington, TX 76010, my _____ (art collection, etc.)." (Note: Bequests of real property require special handling.)

For a percentage of your estate:

"I bequeath to RESTORE HOPE, a registered non-profit corporation, Texas, USA, EIN 208-52-8638 at 301 S. Center #325, Arlington, TX 76010, _____% of my adjusted gross estate as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes."

For your residuary estate:

"I devise and bequeath the residue of the property owned by me at my death, real and personal and wherever situate to RESTORE HOPE, a registered non-profit corporation, Texas, USA, EIN 208-52-8638 at 301 S. Center #325, Arlington, TX 76010."

Please consult with an attorney to help you draw up a will or estate plan that will meet legal requirements and that which is most advantageous for you and your family before making a bequest to RESTORE HOPE. This information is provided to you only as a reference and is not intended as legal or financial advice.

Q. **Whom should I contact at RESTORE HOPE for more information?**

A. For questions related to leaving a legacy, as well as a more information on the projects that RESTORE HOPE has approved and set up, contact Miriam Plowman, Director of Business Services, at 817.276.6463 or by e-mail at miriam.plowman@restorehopetoday.org.

Donations are given with the understanding that RESTORE HOPE has complete discretion and control over the use of all donated funds. It is our intent and desire to provide for our mission work and global projects in keeping with the preferences of our ministry partners. However, in the event that mission work has been completed or those preferences cannot be achieved, RESTORE HOPE may use all funds in furtherance of the mission efforts of RESTORE HOPE in that region or a similar global project.