

Your support of cats everywhere can serve as a celebration of your life, now and even after you're gone.

There are so many ways to support the Winn Feline Foundation with tax-deductible gifts that are tailored to your means and your life circumstances.

#### **What can you donate today?**

You can donate money, property, stocks, mutual fund shares and bonds. You can even donate life estates, where you give your property to Winn but keep it too.

#### **You can remember Winn in your will, too.**

You can add the Winn Feline Foundation to your estate plans with a gift of any size. Our investment fund exceeded \$2.3 million in 2017 through legacy gifts from cat lovers like you. The endowment fund is invested conservatively, and the income from investments is used to help fund critical feline-related research, co-sponsor important cat-themed conferences, and meet related operational expenses.

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**We will be happy to discuss your estate plans with you, your attorney or another estate planner or financial advisor. Just contact us and ask for the Executive Director.**

*Winn Feline Foundation is a public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Your contributions are deductible for income, gift, and estate tax purposes to the extent permitted by law.*



Be sure to visit us on the web at

[www.winnfelinefoundation.org](http://www.winnfelinefoundation.org)

For the latest news on feline health studies, check out [www.winnfelinefoundation.org/education/cat-health-news-blog](http://www.winnfelinefoundation.org/education/cat-health-news-blog)

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#### **Combined Federal Campaign**

Military and civilian federal employees can donate to Winn (#10321) through the Combined Federal Campaign. For more information, contact Winn at our website, by mail, or by phone.

#### **Double Your Donation**

If your company has a matching gift program, send your donation along with your company's matching gift form to the same address.

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# Planned Giving

A way to celebrate a lifetime of loving cats



## Lifetime Gifts

Gifts made during your lifetime are a wonderful way to contribute to the advancement of feline health. You can honor the special cats in your life, a veterinarian who made a difference or a milestone for your cat. Gifts of any amount are always appreciated, and we put them right to work funding the studies that improve the lives of cats everywhere.

*A series gift* is a great option if you have an amount in mind, but cannot make it all in one donation. Tell us the total amount you wish to give and the period of time over which you want to give it. We will send you reminders at the designated dates.

*Property donations* are an excellent way to serve both your tax needs and the goal of feline health. If you have investments or real estate interests that are appreciated in value, you can transfer them to Winn. The current value of the property is tax deductible to you, and you avoid paying income tax or capital gains tax that would otherwise result if you sold the property at a gain.

*A life estate* is a way to donate your property and keep it too! Transfer your real property to the foundation and retain the right to use it during your lifetime. The gift is tax deductible when you make it, and you retain the use of the property for as long as you wish. This type of giving works particularly well with real estate. If you want, you can even continue to receive income from any investment properties for your lifetime.

*Monthly tips* about tax benefits for your gifts and estate planning are available on Winn's website at [www.winnfelinefoundation.org/programs/estate-planning](http://www.winnfelinefoundation.org/programs/estate-planning).

**Leave a legacy that will benefit cats for years to come. There are many types of estate gifts, depending on your goals.**

*A specific bequest* is a gift of a specified amount of money or of specific items of property. It could be land, stock, jewelry, a stamp collection, a car or any other personal property.

*A percentage bequest* is a gift of a certain percentage of your estate or of a particular asset. For example, you might specify that your house be sold and that your children get half the proceeds and Winn get the other half.

*A residual bequest* is a gift of all or a portion of the residue of your estate. The residue is what is left after all your debts and the expenses of the estate are paid, and all specific bequests you have made to family, friends and other charities are honored. You may wish to name the Winn Feline Foundation as beneficiary of the whole residue or a portion of it.

*A contingent bequest* is a way to remember the Winn Feline Foundation even if other needs must take priority. For example, you may wish to leave your estate to your spouse (or another person) if he or she survives you, but you may also say the foundation will be the beneficiary if your primary beneficiary does not survive you. Or you may make the bequest contingent on the residue of the estate being a certain minimum amount.

If you do name the Winn Feline Foundation (EIN 23-7138699) as a beneficiary in your will, we would appreciate your advising us at the time the will is executed.

*Always consult an attorney regarding the drafting of a will.*



**The Winn Feline Foundation enhances the relationship between cats and humans by fostering improvements in feline health through research and education.**

Winn funds medical studies to improve the health and well-being of all cats. More than \$6 million has been awarded in grants that have changed cats' lives. Winn also sponsors an annual symposium on feline health topics for veterinarians, technicians, breeders and cat lovers, co-sponsors international veterinary conferences, and publishes articles that educate veterinarians and the public about feline health. So much of what we know about feline health has changed, and Winn has been at the forefront, uncovering new information, stimulating interest in the veterinary community and getting the word out to every cat owner. Winn's website and blog focusing on feline health studies worldwide, [winnfelinefoundation.org](http://winnfelinefoundation.org) and [winnfelinefoundation.org/education/cat-health-news-blog](http://winnfelinefoundation.org/education/cat-health-news-blog), are important resources that help keep cat lovers and veterinarians informed about the most recent news in cat care.

**Every cat, every day benefits from Winn-funded research.**