

# Ways to Give

# Make a lasting difference today with your donation to The Legal Project. Help us provide access to the protections of the law for everyone in our community.

Ways you can help support our work and mission:

#### Donate to Our Annual Fund

Donations to The Legal Project's Annual Fund directly support people in need in our community.

## ♦ Make A Corporate Gift

Capital Region businesses who want to give strategically for a lasting community impact are encouraged to donate. We will honor your corporate partnership in significant ways and ensure that your donation will directly support the programs and services that are most meaningful to you and your employees.

# ♦ Ask Your Employer For A Matching Gift

Many employers offer matching gift programs for their employees who wish to support community organizations. Ask your employer if they participate in matching gifts.

#### **♦** Create An Endowment

An endowment is a perpetual, dependable source of support due to the fact that the principal is invested and only a portion of the earnings is spent annually. It is possible to establish both unrestricted and restricted endowments.

#### **♦** Fundraise For The Legal Project

Fundraisers can be actual events or online appeals, such as social media posts/appeals or crowdfunding appeals.

#### ♦ Contribute To The Kathryn D. Katz Fellowship Program

This innovative fellowship program is a partnership between The Legal Project and Albany Law School, and provides a career pathway for students to gain the profession-ready skills they need to enter the practice of law with at least two years of hands-on and intensive legal experience.

#### ♦ Support Our Legal Clinics

The Legal Project offers free, private and confidential consultations with experienced attorneys at local community agencies in the following areas: Domestic Violence, Foreclosure Prevention, Immigration, Bankruptcy, Returning Veterans, End-of-Life Planning. Donations are accepted in all areas.

#### ♦ Donate To The Lisa A. Frisch Client Assistance Fund

The purpose of this fund is to assist clients with related expenses that are required for their cases to move forward or to achieve an equitable result, but whose cost would create extreme hardship for the client and their families.

## **♦** Come To Our Special Events

Our Pro Bono Reception occurs every year in the Fall and our Annual Awards Luncheon in the Spring. Please join us!

#### **♦** Become A Volunteer

At The Legal Project, we offer a variety of rewarding volunteer opportunities, including pro bono legal services, clerical and/or other professional duties, miscellaneous program support and activities and events planning.

However you choose to support us, we thank you. You make our work possible.

#### **♦** Make A Planned Gift

Leave a lasting legacy to help secure our future by becoming a member of our Legacy Society with one of the following types of planned or estate gifts:

- \* *IRA Charitable Rollover*: Contributing your required minimum distributions (RMS) directly to The Legal Project (if over 70 1/2 years old).
- \* Securities: Appreciated, marketable and private securities (stocks/bonds/mutual funds) held for more than one year.
- \* *Life Insurance*: A fully-paid, whole life insurance policy.
- \* Charitable Remainder Trust: A trust that pays income for life (or for a term of years) to the trust beneficiary; upon the donor's death, the principal passes to The Legal Project.
- \* Charitable Lead Trust: A trust that makes payments to The Legal Project for a period of time; the principal passes to donor(s) or beneficiary(ies).
- \* *Real Estate*: Appreciated real estate held for more than one year.
- \* Gift Annuity: Annuity that supplies fixed or variable payments for varying lengths of time.
- \* Retained Life Estate: A primary residence, vacation property or farmland that the donor continues to live in or use for the rest of his or her life.
- \* Bargain Sales: Real estate or other valuable property sold to The Legal Project below market value.
- \* Personal Property: Items such as marketable artwork, collectibles, antiques and automobiles.
- \* Donor Advised Fund: Direct donations to The Legal Project