# Ideas for Planning your Legacy Gift:

Your lawyer and financial adviser can advise you on the gift plan that will best meet your needs and wishes. There are many possibilities, but some of the most common include:

#### **Bequests**

The simplest and most common way to leave a charitable legacy is by leaving a bequest in your will. It can be made as a specific amount of money or as a specified asset. Bequests allow the continued enjoyment of your assets during your lifetime and can be revoked or changed at any time. Your heirs may be able to benefit from a charitable tax receipt after your death.

#### Gifts of Life Insurance

You can name the Museum as a beneficiary of an existing life insurance plan. Alternatively, you can take out a new plan in the Museum's name and make annual contributions to the Museum in the amount of the insurance premium payments. You would receive an annual income tax deduction for your charitable contribution, and the Museum would receive the life insurance benefit upon your death.

### Memorial, Honorary and Occasional Gifts

Pay tribute to family members or friends on special occasions or memorialize a loved one's lifetime by making a cash donation in their honour.

Appreciated securities are an excellent way of funding many of these gifts, often unlocking greater income while eliminating, or at least reducing, capital gains tax.

## The Benefits of Planned Giving

Planned Gifts can be small or large, but whatever the amount, you can be assured that they will be used to continue the work of preserving the legacy of Kings County and all the families that have made it such a vibrant community. At the same time, you may be able to enhance your own financial situation through taking advantage of tax benefits.

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Suggestions for PLANNED GIVING

### Kings County Museum Kentville

In 1979 a small group of forward thinking residents in Kings County formed the Kings Historical Society with the mandate of preserving and promoting both the cultural and natural history of the County. In 1980 they opened the Kings County Museum in the iconic Leslie R. Fairn Brick Courthouse located in the Shiretown of Kentville.

The museum, maintaining many of the striking original architectural features of a judicial past, is now a hub for the preservation, cultivation, education, research, and promotion of all things relating to Kings County's heritage.

The museum houses the most active genealogy and community history collection of research on Kings County families in the county. Volunteers active in this area work in collaboration with groups such as the Burial Care Society, which cares for abandoned cemeteries in the county.



The site is also the home of the Parks Canada National Commemorative Exhibit to the New England Planters. This nationally recognized exhibit is located next to a display honouring the other founding cultures of Kings County.

### You can help

The operation of the Museum and programming carried out by the Society are funded by virtue of modest annual grants from the Province of Nova Scotia, the Municipality of the County of Kings, and the Town of Kentville. The Kings Historical Society also rely heavily on private donations and fund-raising projects. Your planned gift would help to ensure the important work of the Society is maintained for future generations. If you choose to include the Kings Historical Society/Kings County Museum in your estate plans, please let us know so that we can say "thank you". Informing us of your intentions does not create any obligations on your part.

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# Your gift will support many of the programs at the museum

(a sampling of which are listed below)

- Rotating exhibits on the cultural heritage of the area
- Genealogical research and facilities (a major project was the recording of vital statistics from the 99 cemeteries in the County)
- Managing and digitizing a permanent collection of over 10.000 artifacts
- Providing educational programming for children, youth, and postsecondary students
- Monthly meetings, which feature lectures on topics of local history
- Collaboration with heritage organizations on a local, provincial, and national level
- Maintaining the Courthouse building, the only historic courthouse in the County