

Animal Adoption and Education Center

Clackamas Dogs Foundation (CDF) supports the passion, drive and work of the Clackamas County Animal Adoption and Education Center. That passion and drive stems from years of work in the animal welfare world. The Center provides a safe haven for temporarily homeless dogs in our community. The Center's guests move onward and upward, which is also CDF's goal: ever onward, ever upward, ever improving, and saving more lives every day than we did the day before.

With the help of our community, we save more than 85% of the dogs that come through our doors. However, the work, the drive and the passion cannot stop here. As long as there are dogs living in squalid conditions, not receiving medical care, not being fed, and not being cared for, there is more work to be done.

Can you help? We are only as strong as our foundation in the community. Please consider short- and long-term charitable giving to CDF. You will be amazed at how far your dollar can stretch to make the life of a dog better.

Our Mission

Clackamas Dogs Foundation, founded in 2012, is an independent, 501c3 nonprofit corporation dedicated to promoting the health and well-being of dogs and the community by supporting the educational and public service activities and programs of Clackamas County Dog Services and the Animal Adoption and Education Center. Our efforts are supported by donations from individuals and groups and corporate sponsorships, as well as special events, planned giving and community outreach.

Together, we help dogs and dog owners get the support they need.



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Invest in Their Future Through Planned Giving

*Leave a Legacy to
Care for Animals
Now and In
Years to Come*

CDF is a 501c3 tax exempt organization.



Leave a Legacy to the Animals You Care About So Deeply

Please remember...

Most gifts achieve some income or estate tax benefit, either now or in the future.

It is important to seek legal and tax advice.

The material presented in this brochure is for informational purposes and is not legal advice. Tax laws are complex and changing. Review your plans for charitable giving with your attorney and your tax advisor to make sure you understand the income and estate tax implications.

In addition to the charitable deduction, many fees that must be paid for implementing planned giving may be deductible in calculating federal and state income and estate taxes.

Whether planning your estate, year-end giving, or honoring and remembering a beloved pet or person, you create the legacies of tomorrow TODAY. **Here are some ideas to consider:**

Bequest by Will

Giving a bequest through your will is an easy and direct way to leave a legacy. You may name **Clackamas Dogs Foundation** as a beneficiary in your will and either gift a specific dollar amount or a percentage of your estate. At your death, a charitable deduction may be available to your estate in calculating estate tax due.

Gift of Cash or Securities

An outright gift of cash or securities is the simplest way to support **Clackamas Dogs Foundation**. With this type of direct giving, the IRS allows you to take a charitable deduction equal to the gift's fair market value on the date you made the gift. Does your employer have a workplace giving program? If so, remember to include **CDF** in your mix of charitable giving.

Life Insurance Policies

If you have life insurance you no longer need, you may gift the policy to **Clackamas Dogs Foundation**. By making **CDF** the owner and irrevocable beneficiary of the policy, you may save income tax.

Retirement Plan Assets

Many people have retirement accounts. Withdrawals from these accounts are often fully taxable. Estate and income taxes can further reduce the post-lifetime balance. You may avoid some of these taxes by naming **Clackamas Dogs Foundation** a primary or contingent beneficiary on all or a portion of your accounts.

Charitable Trusts

Consider establishing a charitable trust. In doing so, your assets will provide a steady stream of payments to you, with the trust assets transferred to **Clackamas Dogs Foundation** at your death or at any earlier time you specify. These trusts may provide an immediate income tax deduction. If you fund the trust with appreciated assets, you may be able to avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation and your estate taxes may be reduced.

Gifts of Property/Real Estate

Gifts of appreciated property can be given to **CDF** through a donor's will or living trust, or outright at anytime. This gift may provide a charitable deduction for the full value of the property. Please keep in mind that a qualified appraisal is needed to substantiate your income tax deduction.