A Legacy of Learning

Leave a gift in your will

Never stop learning

TVO
Donors who leave a planned gift to TVO will be recognized in The Hon. William G. Davis Legacy of Learning Circle. Members of this circle will be recognized in TVO’s Annual Report, website at tvo.org, and other communication materials. Thank you in advance for investing in the future of TVO.
The more we learn in a lifetime, the more we discover, question, and understand.

Learning allows us to share, discuss, and nurture others. When the time comes for you to plan your estate, after the needs of your family have been met, you can ensure that learning, sharing, and nurturing may continue through TVO.

Our innovative educational products, in-depth current affairs analysis, ground-breaking documentaries, and award-winning TVOKids content are all designed with one thing in mind: to help create a better world through the power of learning.

By making a gift in your will, you are making a significant impact. You're showing that you share our belief that learning has the power to change the world.
Will you help change the world?
Your planned gift helps us to make the world a better place through unique educational programming that simply cannot be found anywhere else.

**Groundbreaking documentaries**
TVO’s documentaries share stories of our people and our communities. They reflect the social, economic, and political issues that matter to Ontarians and help us to better understand the world.

**Award-winning TVOKids content**
TVOKids content inspires Ontario’s youngest minds. With a focus on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) education, TVOKids resources are classroom-tested and aligned with the Ontario curriculum.

**In-depth current affairs**
An informed citizenry plays an important role in building strong communities. TVO’s current affairs content in *The Agenda with Steve Paikin* provides in-depth analysis and thoughtful debate.

**Innovative educational products**
TVO’s digital media products support learning in the 21st century. Homework Help, an online math tutorial service; TeachOntario, an online knowledge exchange site for educators; and the ILC, Ontario’s largest high-school and designated provider of distance education all support learning and enrichment in Ontario.
Believing in the Future
Meet our donors.

Danny Chirnomas

Danny Chirnomas has been a fan of TVO for over 30 years. It’s a love that runs deep. 30 years ago, when Danny first arrived in Toronto from Montreal he watched Saturday Night at the Movies with Elwy Yost. Later he started following Steve Paikin’s shows, Diplomatic Immunity, Studio 2, and now The Agenda with Steve Paikin.

“What I have always liked about TVO is that the current affairs programs don’t show a bias. Issues are discussed intelligently. It’s a vital source of information that is hard to find elsewhere. It’s not just two-minute snippets with two people but a much longer, in-depth discussion. It’s the one place to go for balanced dialogue.”

Danny’s motivation for being a legacy donor is simple: “I figured that once you’ve taken care of your family, charities like TVO should benefit.”

Colin Everett

From humble beginnings in England to Professor of Chemistry, as an accomplished musician and lute maker in Ontario, Colin Everett’s journey was one of perpetual discovery.

“That’s just the kind of man he was,” says his wife, Carol Railer. “He never let anything hold him back. If he discovered something that he was interested in—he pursued it. And Colin was into everything.”

Perhaps this is why, upon his death in 2011, Colin left a most generous gift in his will to TVO—an organization that has just about everything to inspire a mind like Colin’s. “He always believed that TVO was important,” explains Carol. “He loved the nature programs, history programs, and The Agenda with Steve Paikin.

Donald Pounder

Donald Pounder was a passionate TVO viewer of The Agenda with Steve Paikin – he enjoyed telling people that The Agenda and Steve were like family to him, especially in the later stages of his life. In keeping with Mr. Pounder’s wishes, 25 percent of his bequest has been directed towards The Agenda with Steve Paikin—programming that he cared so deeply about.

Mr. Pounder was a graduate of University of Toronto, and held a Masters Degree in Mathematics from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He applied his academic training to a varied career that took him to Avro Canada and IBM and a number of other organizations. His interests included gliding and music history and he was an active member of the Canadian Amateur Musicians of Canada.

A planned gift to TVO helps ignite the potential that lies within all of us through learning. Your generosity provides a bright future that we all benefit from for years to come.
How do I leave a legacy of learning?
There are a few options to consider when leaving a gift in your will to TVO.

**Bequest**

A bequest is a direction in your will that instructs your Executor(s)/Trustee(s) to leave one or more of your assets to a charitable organization(s).

**Life Insurance**

Paying modest premiums now can create significant value in the future. By donating a new or existing policy, you can derive tax benefits during your lifetime. If you name TVO as the beneficiary of a policy you own, after your passing, your estate can realize the associated tax benefits.

**RRSPs/RRIFs**

By naming TVO as the beneficiary of your RRSP or RRIF, you will be making a valuable gift and you will offset the tax that would otherwise be payable on these assets by your estate.

**Charitable Remainder Trusts**

A charitable remainder trust enables you to give assets today through an irrevocable trust and obtain immediate tax savings while providing you with a life income from the earnings on the assets. At the time the gift is made, you receive a charitable tax receipt for the present value of the gift that you may use in the year of the gift or carry forward for up to five years. Upon death, the capital is transferred to TVO.

**Stocks/Securities**

Donating publicly traded securities such as stocks, bonds, or mutual fund units provide a tremendous benefit to you and TVO. If you donate securities to TVO, you will not pay capital gains tax on the transfer (compared to paying tax on 50 percent of the capital gain if you sell the shares and donate cash). You will receive a charitable tax receipt for the fair market value of the shares on the date they are transferred to TVO, and you can use that receipt to offset other taxes. You may donate securities during your lifetime or through your will.
“I have always believed that every citizen of Ontario shares a common right to self-advancement. Learning, after all, is a lifelong pursuit.”

- The Honourable William G. Davis
To include a bequest to TVO in your will, have a lawyer or notary prepare a new will or add a codicil to your existing one. Our legal name, and proper beneficiary for your gift are:

**Ontario Educational Communications Authority.**
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