The Heritage Circle

The Heritage Circle recognizes and honors visionary individuals who, by naming RCCD Foundation in their estate plans or through other planned gift arrangements, are providing support for current and future students, faculty, or initiatives of the colleges.

The benefits of membership in the Heritage Circle are many. Planned and deferred gifts may offer you a life income, a current tax deduction, or other estate planning benefits. Equally as significant, your membership in the Heritage Circle provides you with the unique personal reward and recognition that accompanies belonging to this exclusive group of individuals who care deeply about the future of Riverside Community College District.

In addition, as a member of the Heritage Circle you will receive:

- Special recognition in the RCCD Foundation Journal
- A quarterly estate planning newsletter
- Invitation to an exclusive annual luncheon for Heritage Circle members
- Recognition in the RCCD Foundation Annual Report
- Recognition on the RCCD Foundation Donor Wall

To learn more about membership in the Heritage Circle or to arrange a confidential meeting with an RCCD Foundation representative, please call the RCCD Foundation or complete and return the enclosed response form.

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When people talk…

about Riverside Community College District (RCCD), they often share memories and successes. It is not unusual for several generations of a family to have attended RCCD, one of California’s oldest community college districts.

One of the District’s strongest ties to the community is the RCCD Foundation. Established in 1975 to support the District’s mission of providing open access to a quality higher education, the Foundation became the institution’s symbolic “ambassador at large,” linking RCCD and the community. This outreach has drawn a host of friends to the colleges, fostering a rich tradition of community involvement and support that has spanned more than 30 years.

As Riverside Community College District continues to grow, support from the RCCD Foundation is especially critical. With innovative programs such as the School of Nursing, the Dental Hygiene Clinic, the Riverside School for the Arts, the Norco Industrial Technology Complex, Riverside Aquatics Complex, Moreno Valley Allied Health Center, and future building phases on the three colleges, RCCD will continue to attract dedicated and talented students from every facet of our community, and successfully prepare the future workforce of our region.

One way the RCCD Foundation can support these changes is to establish a new opportunity for giving… a way that our friends in the community can create a living legacy at the colleges. We proudly invite you to participate in the Heritage Circle.
Establishing a gift annuity allows you to receive from the Foundation a guaranteed, partly tax-free income for life in exchange for a gift of cash or other assets. You are entitled to an immediate tax deduction and you may realize other tax savings if your gift is funded with appreciated assets such as securities or real estate.

A plan may also be devised through which a spouse, parent or loved one can receive the guaranteed payments if your income is adequate. A deferred payment can also be arranged, providing a greater tax deduction and larger guaranteed payments beginning at a future date. This is often used to plan for retirement income or provide income for college students.

There are several ways you can be eligible for membership in the Heritage Circle...

Bequests
By naming RCCD Foundation in your will or living trust, you can give support to the colleges after your loved ones have been provided for. Your gift may be a specific bequest of a dollar amount or a particular security or other property, a residuary bequest of all or a portion of your estate, a contingent bequest, or a testamentary trust. Your attorney can assist you in planning your bequest. Often a charitable bequest can be made simply with the addition of a codicil to your existing will.

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Endowing a Scholarship
Scholarship support is at the heart of the RCCD Foundation. Endowing a scholarship in honor or memory of a loved one is an excellent way to provide support that will benefit students now and in the future.

Our endowed scholarship program is very flexible and tailored to meet your needs. With a gift of $10,000 or more, your scholarship support can be directed to incoming, continuing or transferring students, or students studying a particular field or with a certain career goal.

“As an RCCD Foundation Board member, I have seen first-hand what a valuable role the Foundation plays in student success. My wife and I decided that an unrestricted bequest, to be used as needed for priority projects, was our way to give back.”
Harold Trubo

Property
Your gift of property may allow you to make a larger gift at less cost to you. Gifts of appreciated property, real estate, or securities are all gift options that can be of mutual benefit for you and the colleges.

You can direct your gift to a campus or program such as RCC Nursing, the Norco Student Success Center, or the Allied Health Center at Moreno Valley.

Life Insurance
Gifting a life insurance policy to the RCCD Foundation is an excellent way to allow you to make use of an asset you no longer need for your family's security. Life insurance gifts can offer you both income tax and estate tax advantages. Ask your life insurance professional for the ways in which you can help.

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Charitable Trusts
You may choose a Charitable Remainder Trust to provide extra fixed or variable income for your lifetime. You can set the amount of income you will receive when you establish your trust, and assets within the trust can appreciate tax free over your lifetime.

A Charitable Lead Trust can be created to allow you to set assets for charitable use for a limited period of time after which the property is returned to you or your family. Each of these options can offer significant tax benefits.

The Foundation is grateful to longtime supporters like Debbi Guthrie, whose gift of a life insurance policy will provide significant future support for the College’s apprenticeship programs and the Riverside Aquatics Complex.

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Professor Emeritus Richard Stover served as a music department faculty member, dean, and finally as vice president of Academic Services during his 33-year career at RCC. Through his estate plan, he established the Stover Fund for Music and the Arts, opting for an endowment because “they go on forever.”

The scholarship I received while a student allowed me to spend weekends studying instead of working.”
James Namekata, Associate Professor, Mathematics
RCCD Moreno Valley

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Other planned and deferred gift options are available to meet your needs. Please call the RCCD Foundation office at 951/222-8626 for assistance.