



HASHOMER HATZAIR CAMP SHOMRIA CANADA



The Legacy Circle – An Overview

What is the Legacy Circle? What is Legacy Giving? Is it for me? Are there benefits?

Many Questions. Much to consider. Here are few questions and answers to start a discussion.

What is the Legacy Circle?

As Hashomer Hatzair's 100th anniversary approaches, the Legacy Circle brings veteran *shomrim* and new friends together to share expertise and strengthen Camp Shomria- Hashomer Hatzair's next 100 years through planned legacy giving. As a Legacy Circle member, you will receive regular updates on ongoing activities and growth.

Through Legacy Circle participation, you will lead by example and inspire others to participate and you will help this generation of *shomrim* secure the future of Hashomer Hatzair-Camp Shomria.

What is Legacy Giving?

Legacy giving or 'leaving a legacy' means making a contribution that will have a long term impact. Although legacy giving is often associated with wills, bequests and giving in the future, it also includes giving in the present to help secure long-term future goals. Canadian tax regulations support diverse legacy giving options, including many that result in significant tax benefits and reductions on current taxes or future inheritance and estate tax.

But most importantly, as a Legacy Circle member, you can continue expressing your values and wishes and make an important - and lasting - difference in many lives.

Should I consider a legacy gift? Is it right for me?

Despite the myth that only the very wealthy leave legacy gifts almost anyone can make a meaningful legacy gift to help carry on their values and serve their communities through future generations. Another common but untrue myth is that legacy planning is only for older people. Many middle aged and younger people, even in their 20s, include a legacy gift as part of their planning. The satisfaction of acting to preserve values you support can bring joy to you and your family for a lifetime and beyond.

Why leave a legacy gift? What will my family think?

The best part of a legacy gift can happen right now - by sharing, discussing and shaping your plans with your loved ones. Making your family members part of the process can bring added lifelong satisfaction.

Of course, as the donor, you retain full control. You can keep your gift plans private and can change your giving plans at any time.

What are the benefits?

- You provide ongoing support to the values, programs and organization that matter deeply to you, your family and your community.
- You serve as a role model to the people you care about by encouraging others - family, friends and community - to participate in the Legacy Circle.
- Your legacy gift can **reduce taxes now** or can **significantly reduce future inheritance taxes without any cost at this time.**

How does it work?

1. **Join the Legacy Circle** by completing the attached form. Note: **Legacy Circle membership is not, in any way, legally binding.** You can change your decision and leave the Legacy Circle at any time.
2. Consult your loved ones and legal advisor when you considering the wide range of Legacy gift options.
3. **You alone retain complete control at all times.** You can keep your will or donation plans completely private and you can change them at any time.

Chazak V'ematz and Thank You!

Rabbi Tarfon said, "It is not your obligation to complete every undertaking, but neither are you free from contributing to the solution..."

Pirke Avot 2:16

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Legacy Charter

We are very grateful that you will help secure the future as a member of the Hashomer Hatzair Camp Shomria Legacy Circle.

This legacy charter is our commitment to you.

1. We will always respect your privacy preferences because we appreciate that your will is a personal decision.
2. We recognize that, at any time, you have the right to change your will in any way you prefer.
3. We will use your gift for the purposes that you request.
4. We will use your gift wisely and cost-effectively.
5. We will use your gift to support current growth or place it in a perpetual endowment fund that will provide ongoing support, in accordance with your request.
6. We will keep you in touch with our activities in the way that you request or not at all, if that is your preference.
7. We will administer your gift efficiently and with sensitivity and respect.
8. We will continue to care for your legacy gift and help realize your ongoing commitment to secure a vibrant future for Hashomer Hatzair-Camp Shomria.

Honi HaMa'agal was walking along a road and saw a man planting a carob tree.

"How many years will it take until the tree bears fruit?" *he asked.*

"Seventy years", *came the reply.*

"Are you sure that you will be alive in seventy years' time to enjoy the fruits of this tree?"
Honi asked.

"When I arrived in the world, I found a carob tree, planted for me by my ancestors, and now I plant this one for my children and their children."

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