

For more than 155 years, Diakon has provided compassionate services that strengthen children, families, individuals, and older adults.

From adoption and foster care to at-risk youth programs, behavioral health, family preservation, senior services, and affordable housing, your generosity helps transform thousands of lives each year.

*A planned gift ensures Diakon can continue offering hope and care for generations to come.*



## A Legacy Story

Debbie Carlson wanted to honor her late husband and support the two charities closest to her heart. By naming Diakon and another nonprofit as residuary beneficiaries, each received 50% of the remainder of her estate after her family's needs were met.

### Her benefits:

- Assets remain available to her throughout her lifetime
- Flexibility to revise her plans
- A lasting, meaningful legacy supporting causes she loves

**Interested in creating your own legacy?**

Scan for more information.



## Thank You for Considering a Legacy Gift

If you include Diakon in your estate plans, please let us know. We would be honored to thank you and ensure your wishes can be carried out.

### CONTACT:

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# DIAKON PLANNED GIVING

Your legacy.  
Their future.

# Why CONSIDER A PLANNED GIFT?

**PLANNED GIVING IS A MEANINGFUL WAY TO CREATE A LEGACY OF COMPASSION AND SERVICE.**

## A planned gift allows you to:

- ✓ Support Diakon's mission long into the future
- ✓ Maintain control of your assets during your lifetime
- ✓ Change your gift if your circumstances change
- ✓ Provide for loved ones AND support a cause you care about



## Gifts by Will or Trust

A bequest is one of the simplest and most flexible ways to support Diakon.

A bequest may be right for you if you:

- Want to make a lasting impact
- Need flexibility to revise your plans
- Want continued access to your assets
- Are concerned about outliving resources

If you don't yet have a will or living trust, it's the only way to ensure your assets are distributed as you choose.

## Ways to Structure Your Gift

You can define your gift to Diakon in several ways:

- **Specific Amount** – e.g., "I give \$25,000 to Diakon."
- **Specific Asset** – e.g., stocks, real estate, or other property
- **Conditional Gift** – made only if certain conditions are met
- **Residuary Gift** – a percentage of what remains after other obligations are met

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YOUR ATTORNEY

**Legal Name:** Diakon  
**Address:** Office of Advancement  
One South Home Avenue  
Topton, PA 19562-1317  
**Federal Tax ID:** 23-1857015

*If you wish to designate your gift specifically to Diakon Child, Family & Community Ministries, we can provide the appropriate tax identification number and sample language upon request.*

## How Your Gift Can Be Used

You may direct your support in a way that reflects your values:

- **Unrestricted** – Used where the need is greatest
- **Restricted** – Designated for a specific program or purpose
- **Endowed** – Invested to provide lasting, annual support
- **Honorary** – Made in memory or honor of someone meaningful to you

*We are happy to help ensure your intentions can be fulfilled exactly as you wish.*

## Bequest Alternatives

You can also support Diakon through:

- Life insurance beneficiary designations
- IRA or retirement plan beneficiaries
- Transfer-on-death or pay-on-death accounts
- Savings bonds or investment account designations

These options are simple, flexible, and avoid probate.

## Tax Considerations

Your estate may receive a charitable estate tax deduction for the full value of your bequest. While individual circumstances vary, your financial advisor can help determine potential tax benefits.





OFFERING HELP & HOPE TO ALL

## YOUR LEGACY



**Yes, I would like to include Diakon in my estate plans.**

Please use this form to help Diakon honor my intentions and plan for the future.

### My gift is:

- In my will or trust
- A beneficiary designation
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### This gift is:

- A specific amount
- A percentage
- A residuary gift

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please mail your completed card to:

Office of Advancement  
One South Home Avenue  
Topton, PA 19562-1317

### Or scan form and email it to:

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