

Thank You!

Thank you for considering ways to support the Franciscan Spiritual Center. We are blessed by your interest and generosity.

Like many not-for-profit ministries, the fees we charge for our services do not always cover our full expenses. We depend on you, friends and supporters, to fund our growing ministries, fund the gap, and provide for our future.

Besides regular response to our appeals, monthly giving, and generous gifts, we welcome individuals and families to consider making a legacy gift. These gifts through wills and bequests upon one's death, ensure that our ministry of spiritual direction, hospitality, and programs will continue to flourish and grow. Your legacy gifts carry on your loving compassion and have supported this Franciscan ministry for nearly 70 years.

This brochure offers many ways to give both now while you can receive tax benefits and the satisfaction of seeing your funds make a difference and also ways that your gifts can create a bright future for others yet to discover this interfaith Center with a Franciscan heart.

Making a Bequest

Including the Franciscan Spiritual Center in your will is a wonderful way to link your life with our mission and ministry in perpetuity. You can designate a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or the residual of your estate after providing for your heirs, thus reducing estate taxes. Our website includes more information and a link to the Sisters of St. Francis Foundation for details on bequests. We would also be glad to speak with you personally about your estate planning.

Retirement Plans and Life Insurance

A simple way to include the Franciscan Spiritual Center in your estate plans is to make the Center a beneficiary of your retirement plan or life insurance policy. The provider of your plan or policy can inform you how to designate the Franciscan Spiritual Center as your beneficiary.

Donor Designated Fund/Permanent Endowment

Individuals may create a permanent endowment with distributions to the Franciscan Spiritual Center through the Sisters of St. Francis Foundation. Additional gifts may be added to the fund by friends and family members, increasing the annual distributions. Tax benefits can include tax free gifts of "required minimum distributions" or gifts of appreciated stocks. Your distributions to the Franciscan Spiritual Center will continue in perpetuity!

Corporate Matching Gifts

Working for a corporation or a family business, you may find it possible to make a more sizable gift for the same cost of a smaller gift by having the company make it directly. Because the company's gift comes out of earnings before federal tax is levied, the tax on the amount of the gift may be avoided—and the savings can be passed on to the Franciscan Spiritual Center, a qualified charitable organization. Please discuss these opportunities with your tax consultant.

Charitable Remainder Trusts

These trusts are for larger gifts, typically of \$100,000 or more. Charitable Remainder Trusts may offer donors the opportunity to increase income, reduce taxes, and provide for the Franciscan Spiritual Center and other charities at the time of their death. The administrators of your trust can inform you how to designate FSC as your beneficiary.

Our Accountability to You

Franciscan Spiritual Center seeks in every way to be worthy of your trust. Our record keeping follows generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and any information you provide will be held in strict confidence. The Franciscan Spiritual Center is a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia, a qualified religious charitable organization.

"Fundraising is proclaiming what we believe in such a way that we offer other people an opportunity to participate with us in our vision and mission."

Henri J. M. Nouwen – *A Spirituality of Fundraising*

We welcome gifts in many forms.

- **ONLINE** Gifts may be made by credit or debit card through the Franciscan Spiritual Center Phone (503)794-8542 or www.FrancisSpCtr.com/giving-back
- **CHECKS** Please make checks payable to Franciscan Spiritual Center, 2512 SE Monroe St Milwaukie, OR 97222
- **SECURITIES** By giving appreciated stocks or securities to Franciscan Spiritual Center you can avoid capital gains tax while receiving a full tax deduction on the value of the gift on the day of the transfer. Please call or email info@francisspctr.com for instructions. When you do make a gift, it is very important that we know it is coming so that we can identify you as donor.



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Your bequests, trusts, and designated funds will benefit the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Milwaukie, Oregon.

Please make your beneficiary:
Sisters of St. Francis Foundation
609 S. Convent Rd
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Ways of Giving

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