

## Make a Donation

Let us know how you plan to keep your legacy close to home through a gift to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation:

- I have already made provisions for the Stoughton Hospital Foundation in my estate plans.
- I would like more information about making a bequest or other planned gift to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

### Please return this form to:

Stoughton Hospital Foundation  
900 Ridge Street  
Stoughton, WI 53589

Call 608-873-2328 or visit [stoughtonhospital.com](http://stoughtonhospital.com).

## A Foundation of Care

*A foundation provides fundamental support for a structure that's much larger.*

*A foundation is usually hidden – sometimes you forget it's there. Our hospital's foundation works behind the scenes, too.*

*Without a solid foundation of people and support, our hospital wouldn't exist.*

*Donations from friends like you, who share our commitment to care, form the foundation for enhancing medical services close to home.*



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## Leaving a Legacy

Many people hope to leave marks on their communities to help make them better places. You can make a difference through a bequest to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation. Your charitable gift will help ensure the future of quality healthcare close to home.

You might find it hard to donate substantial gifts during your lifetime because your foremost priority is to provide for your family. Through purposeful estate planning, you can leave gifts for your loved ones as well as the Stoughton Hospital Foundation. A variety of options are available to help you make the most of your legacy.

A bequest to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation is truly a gift that keeps on giving. The foundation provides estate-giving and gift-planning ideas that benefit you and your loved ones. You can make an enduring gift to recognize the quality care you and your family have received and to ensure that these medical services are available locally for generations to come.

## How You Can Create a Legacy

The most common planned gift is a **bequest in a will**. The bequest can be a dollar amount or stated as a percentage of the estate. This gift avoids probate on the amount gifted to charity, which can have positive tax consequences for loved ones who also receive bequests. It is a simple matter to include a bequest in a will or in a codicil to an existing will.

After you make specific provisions for your loved ones, you can leave a residuary gift to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation for all or part of what remains. You may decide to specify a bequest of cash, stocks, real estate, insurance policies and/or personal property to the foundation.

You may not think of yourself as having an *estate*, which seems to be a grand term to many people. But your property, personal belongings and financial assets can add up to a sizable bequest for your loved ones and the charitable organizations you choose to support in your will. Whatever the size of your gift to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation, we will ensure that it is put to the best possible use.

### Your gift can be stated very simply:

I give, devise and bequeath (sum of \_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_% residue of my estate) to the Stoughton Hospital Foundation, Inc., a not-for-profit organization with offices in Stoughton, Wisconsin, to be used for its general charitable purposes.

This statement creates a highly valued unrestricted gift in support of Stoughton Hospital. An unrestricted gift can be used in the future where and when it is most needed. If, however, you wish to designate your gift to a specific use, simply contact us to discuss your wishes.

Another idea is **life insurance gifting**. You can gift a matured policy and receive a tax deduction for the value of the policy or the net premiums paid on the policy, whichever is less. You can also take out a new policy or gift an existing policy on which payments are still being made. Your premium payments may be deducted as gifts each year.

The generous gifts of people like you are permanently recognized on our Circle of Friends donor wall in the hospital lobby. Members of this special circle are also invited to attend special events at and on behalf of Stoughton Hospital.

## Our History and Mission

In 1904, Dr. Michael Iverson came to Stoughton, Wisconsin, and established a hospital. He was well known for his thoroughness and special abilities in treating diseases of the ears and eyes. In 1906, he was one of six doctors in the nation performing successful cataract surgeries.

Dr. Iverson is remembered for his progressive spirit and devotion to the practice of medicine. Today, Stoughton Hospital is known for carrying on his vision of providing excellent, safe, personalized healthcare – close to home – with state-of-the-art equipment. Through your support and partnership, we can continue to carry on Dr. Iverson's legacy for another century.

