

Legacy Planned Giving

The ***Legacy Planned Giving*** program encourages clubwomen, families and friends of the Federation to consider making bequests to the NJSFWC when planning their estates.

LEGACY as defined by *Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary* is a gift by will of money or other personal property.

Consider the impact of sustaining the work of the NJSFWC or GFWC, by "providing opportunities for education, leadership, training, and community service through participation in local clubs, enabling members to make a difference in the lives of others one project at a time".

Federated Clubwomen may allocate funds through their estate planning to establish a ***Legacy by Planned Giving***. These contributions can be directed to the Headquarters Foundation, 1894 Society, Girls Career Institute, the Special State Project, items within the Continuing Funds, or as a Fellowship in a chosen area of interest.

Planned Giving funds are maintained separately from the Federation's operating budget and invested to honor donors' intended purposes. This ensures that the legacy of dedicated clubwomen is preserved within the NJSFWC.

Clubwomen have remembered our Federation with Legacies going back to our first State President, Margaret Yardley, who passed away in 1928. In 1929, her son donated \$5,000 in her memory. The donation was invested and to this day scholarship grants are awarded to deserving women who are New Jersey residents pursuing post-graduate advanced studies at the school of their choice.

Our second State President Cecilia Gaines Holland passed away in 1944 and bequeathed \$1,000 to be given to a clubwoman doing outstanding civic work in New Jersey. To this day, our Federation has a yearly Cecilia Gaines Holland 1894 Society, awardee.

Although it may not always be immediately apparent, we encourage you to consider the ***Legacy Planned Giving*** program as part of your estate planning, following the example set by the presidents that came before us.