



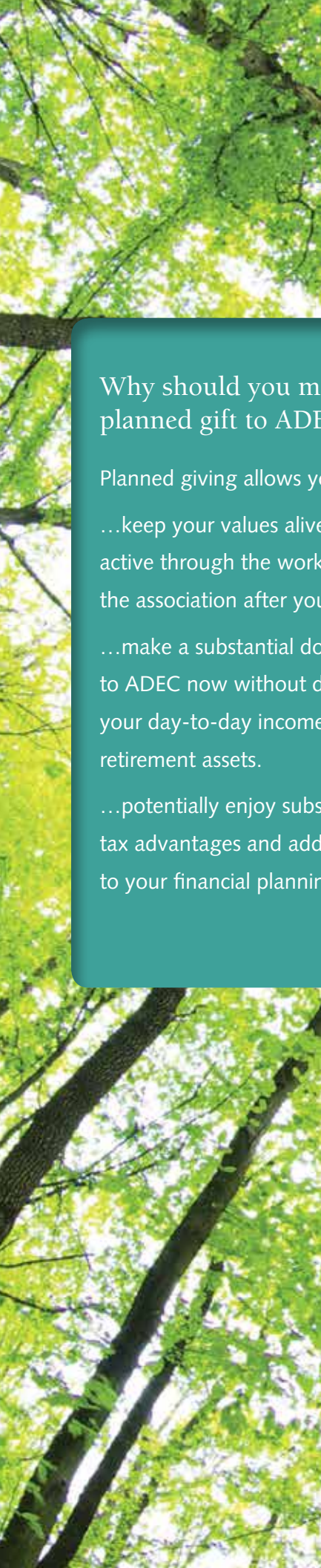
Association for Death Education and Counseling®
The Thanatology Association®

A Living Legacy of **Commitment** Through Planned Giving

“As a founding member of ADEC,
I have always considered it my
professional home. I am making a
bequest in my will to ensure that the
special blend of research, practice and
friendly mentoring which is ADEC
continues well into the future.”

—*Judith Stillion, PhD, CT*





Why should you make a planned gift to ADEC?

Planned giving allows you to...

...keep your values alive and active through the workings of the association after you're gone.

...make a substantial donation to ADEC now without depleting your day-to-day income or retirement assets.

...potentially enjoy substantial tax advantages and add flexibility to your financial planning.

ADEC is the oldest interdisciplinary organization in the field of dying, death and bereavement. We are an international, professional organization dedicated to promoting excellence and recognizing diversity in death education, care of the dying, grief counseling and research in thanatology. Our primary goal is to enhance the ability of professionals and lay people to be better able to meet the needs of those with whom they work in death education and grief counseling.

Your planned gift will ensure ADEC's future, as well as help support research, professional education and the development of resources to help prepare the next generation of thanatologists.

Your donation will help ADEC grow stronger in the future.

We dream...

... that **researchers** would be able to come to us seeking grants that would promote integration of theory, clinical practice and research findings, thus promoting improvement in care of the dying and the bereaved.

... that we can provide **educational materials** regarding coping with dying and bereavement to the public and best practices in thanatology to our professional audience.

...that 30 new **scholarships** each year will assist students who are studying thanatology at their college and university to attend the ADEC annual conference.

...that our annual conferences will feature noted speakers and luminaries in the field to give our members the **finest in professional education**, and that members requiring financial assistance to attend can receive it.

...that ADEC will thrive and grow as an organization, have the ability to support our members and facilitate the sharing of research, theory and practice in death, dying and bereavement.

You can make these dreams come true with a planned gift to ADEC!

There are a number of ways in which you can make a gift to ADEC.

- **Legacy in your Will**

- ✿ Percentage — This method provides the most flexibility, since the gift fluctuates according to the size of the estate.
- ✿ Fixed Amount — The most common way to make a bequest is to leave a fixed amount.
- ✿ Residuary — This is what is left after all other debts, taxes, expenses and other bequests have been fulfilled.

- **Life Insurance** — Gift an existing or new life insurance policy; this type of gift has several variations.

- **Stocks, bonds or IRA** — Gifts of stocks, bonds or an IRA have potential tax-saving benefits.

Prior to making any gift or pledge, we encourage you to speak with your financial advisor or estate planning attorney about your specific situation and plans.

For more information about making a planned gift, please contact the ADEC office:


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“ADEC is in my will because it was critical to my professional development and growth, as well as the careers of some of my students. I also want to help fund the vital work ADEC does to support and educate professionals and through them, to aid people coping with dying and bereavement.”

— *Gordon Thornton, PhD, FT*

“Both of us have had ADEC in our wills for years, making sure a percentage of our estate will financially help continue ADEC’s mission and goals. Over the past twenty-five plus years, we have observed not only the organization’s growth and its ‘infectious impact’ on individuals, families and communities, but have also learned about ourselves and our opportunities. It’s our way of sayingthanks, ADEC!”

— *Ben and Barry Wolfe*





A community of givers and supporters of ADEC's legacy

To show our gratitude, all donors who make arrangements to support ADEC through a planned gift are invited to join the **Living Legacy Circle** and will be recognized in an annual Honor Roll on our website and during our annual conference (unless anonymity is requested). Members of the Living Legacy Circle will also receive a certificate of appreciation, invitations to occasional special events, and the gratitude of the students and professionals in ADEC who will benefit from your generosity.

Already have ADEC in your estate? Contact Headquarters at +1-502-931-2332 (ADEC) to let us know of your planned gift. We will gladly add you to our Living Legacy Circle.

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Learn more about ADEC's Living Legacy Circle.
Call +1-502-931-2332 or browse www.adec.org/Living-Legacy-Circle.



“When Ira lost his beloved wife Pauline, after a scant six months of marriage, he went into a tailspin. After he found ADEC, it gave him a purpose in which he could deeply believe, and a much-needed focus and direction. Supporting and helping so many people come to terms with their own personal losses was a testament to the man he was. It was his hope that, through his financial donation, he would in some small way help others.”

— Ruth Nerken (sister of Ira Nerken, JD)