

## *The First Planned Gift*

With his death in August of 1915, William S. Major made the first planned gift to what would become the William S. Major Hospital. Mr. Major's will provided that, after the death of his wife, Frances Cory major, their home would be given to the City of Shelbyville to be used for a long-needed hospital.

Mrs. Major wished to see their home become a memorial to her husband while she was still living. During the 1916 public memorial service for her husband, she made a tentative offer to turn the house over to the city as soon as it was ready to build the hospital.

On October 20, 1922, Mrs. Major deeded her property to the City of Shelbyville. The deed was not recorded until December 31 at her request, because she wanted it recorded on her anniversary of her marriage to Mr. Major.

Mrs. Major lived at the hospital until she died on Christmas Day, 1929.

## *The MHP Foundation Mission:*

The MHP Foundation supports the work of Major Hospital. This can be by financing equipment, facility construction, or other capital projects. We also provide support for patients in difficult situations and support the health initiatives of MHP in the community.



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*The MHP Foundation has been designated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization by the Internal Revenue Service. All gifts to the MHP Foundation are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Please consult your tax advisor for more information in this regard.*

## *The Major Legacy Society*

A society of individuals who have included the MHP Foundation in their estate plans.



Major Hospital  
yesterday...

...and MHP  
today.



Leaving a legacy to support healthcare at the MHP Medical Center is a wonderful way to make a *major* difference in our community.



# *The Major Legacy Society*

The Major Legacy Society was created to recognize those who have included the MHP Foundation in their estate plans. A charitable gift that is part of an estate plan is often called a planned gift.

## *Planned Giving*

Planned giving offers several options for those who would like to help ensure that our community continues to benefit from the exceptional healthcare available through Major Health Partners. Different types of planned gifts include:

- A bequest in a will
- A gift annuity
- A charitable remainder trust
- A life insurance policy
- A retirement plan beneficiary designation

Each of these types of planned gifts has unique characteristics. Your tax advisor can help you decide what type of planned gift is best for you.

## *Becoming a Major Legacy Society Member*

Once your planned gift is in place, we encourage you to become a member of the Major Legacy Society either by contacting the MHP Foundation yourself or by asking your tax advisor or attorney to make that contact for you. Although you are not required to disclose the nature or amount of your planned gift, sharing even general information will help the Foundation staff and board better prepare to receive your gift and carry out your wishes.

Sharing information also allows the Foundation to thank you and recognize you for your gift during your lifetime.

## *Leaving a Legacy*

When William S. Major chose to make the first planned gift of his home to our community for use as a hospital, he helped to ensure a bright future for our community. Without his foresight, Shelby County might not have the excellent and convenient healthcare we enjoy today.

Like William S. Major, you can leave a legacy that will help make Major Health Partners continue to provide world-class health services close to home. For more information about the Major Legacy Society, please send the attached card to the MHP Foundation.

## *Recognition and Benefits*

The Foundation recognizes Major Legacy Society members by listing their names (with their permission) in several of its publications and on its website. Members' names are also listed on a permanent display located at the medical center. Members are invited to attend special events throughout the year, such as a luncheon with the Major Health Partners CEO.

The MHP Foundation invites to you to become a member of the

# *Major Legacy Society*

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I would like more information about planned giving and the Major Legacy Society at the MHP Foundation.

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I would like to accept the invitation to become a member of the Major Legacy Society at the MHP Foundation.

**My contribution will be in the following form(s):**

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Bequest in my Will

☐

Annuity

☐

Life Insurance Policy

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Real Estate

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Trust

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Other

**Please complete the following information.**

**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_

**State & ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone (day)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone (evening)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

*We look forward to your response!*

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*The William S. Major Mansion, 1891*



*Mrs. Major in the Visitors' Room*



*MHP Medical Center, 2017*