

SAN FRANCISCO NIGHT MINISTRY

For forty-five years the Night Ministry has helped people in crisis when no one else does: in the middle of the night every night of the year. We are a unique charity that offers counseling, compassion and referrals for ser-



services. Our Night Ministers walk the streets of San Francisco's disadvantaged neighborhoods bringing

help and hope to people who are often destitute, homeless or deeply troubled. We are known and respected by city services and organizations, hospital emergency rooms and police who frequently contact us when their



clients have nowhere else to turn. We also provide a night crisis counseling line staffed by trained volunteers who assist callers or page the Night Ministers to arrange in-person help. Our program provides confidential assistance regardless of lifestyle, sexual orientation, religion, age or race. All of our services are free.

TO LEARN ABOUT PLANNED GIVING

If you are interested in learning more about planned giving, please contact the Rev. Lyle Beckman at the Night Ministry. The Night Ministry does not give tax or estate planning advice and asks that anyone considering a planned gift consult with a qualified professional.



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We welcome the opportunity to help you achieve your financial and philanthropic goals. However, the information in this brochure is not intended as estate planning or tax advice you should follow without professional guidance. We recommend that you consult a qualified tax and estate planning adviser.

SAN FRANCISCO NIGHT MINISTRY LEGACY SOCIETY



LIGHTEN THE
DARKNESS...
REKINDLE THE
HOPE

HOW YOU CAN HELP

If you currently support the Night Ministry and the essential work that its clergy and crisis line counselors do, you already recognize the vital role our ministry plays.

You can express your faith in our mission in perpetuity through a planned gift. A planned gift is one you commit to now, through your estate plan, but one the Night Ministry will receive later.

Planned gifts enable us to support our wonderful Night Ministers and Crisis Line Counselors. Since 1964 the Night Ministry has served San Francisco's neediest people. During the 1980's a generous gift from friends of Charles H. Lewis, the second Night Minister, enabled the Night Ministry to continue its work by establishing a permanent endowment that continues and grows. More recently planned gifts have enabled us to expand the Ministry from a single Night Minister, to hiring a full time Associate Night Minister, and to establishing the Night Ministry Fellows Program.



PLANNED GIFTS IN MANY FORMS

The Night Ministry's Planned Giving Program offers you a way to participate in the future of its work. A planned gift may also allow current tax savings, income to you and your loved ones, or a benefit to your heirs.



STEWARDSHIP

We are called to be good stewards of the assets with which we are blessed with during our lifetimes. By making a planned gift to the San Francisco Night Ministry you can use your assets to help the least fortunate among us as a lasting expression of your faith and values.

The Night Ministry's Governing Board is called to be a good steward of your generous gifts. Our Endowment Management Committee ensures prudent and professional management of all gifts for the long-term benefit of the organization through carefully designed policies for endowment, investment, and gift planning. We encourage you to request a copy of these policies from the Night Ministry. We also encourage you to review your estate plan carefully with your estate lawyer or tax advisor.

THE NIGHT MINISTRY LEGACY SOCIETY

Those who include the Night Ministry in their estates will be recognized by membership in the Night Ministry Legacy Society. Your name will be enrolled in the Night Ministry's permanent archive and on a plaque displayed at the Night Ministry's offices. You also have the option of keeping your gift anonymous.

PLEASE CONSIDER THESE OPTIONS

WILL OR LIVING TRUST: Provide for your family, your loved ones and the Night Ministry through a bequest in your will or in a living trust.

GIFT OF PROPERTY: Allow assets such as securities, objects of value, and real estate to be transferred to the Night Ministry, often with significant tax advantages you may realize now. A bequest of a life estate may enable you to make a gift, use its income or value for your lifetime, and remove it from your estate. This can result in substantial tax savings.

LIFE INSURANCE POLICY: Make a gift at little cost by naming the Night Ministry the beneficiary of an existing life insurance policy or by naming it as the beneficiary of a new policy.

CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST: As the grantor of such a trust, you may receive the income for your lifetime while achieving a substantial, immediate tax benefit and making a gift that will ensure the Night Ministry's future.

CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST: Give income from property to the Night Ministry for a specified number of years while retaining the right to give the asset afterward to a family member or other beneficiary.

