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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Is it difficult to make a planned gift?
A: No. For beneficiary designations (retirement or life insurance), contact your plan administrator for a change of beneficiary form, on which you list “The University of North Carolina Press, Inc.” as the primary beneficiary for all or a portion of the account. If you already have a will, you can add the Press as a beneficiary with a phone call to your attorney to prepare a codicil.

Q: Is there a typical planned gift?
A: No. Your planned gift will be what is right for you. UNC Press has received gifts ranging from $500 to $500,000.

Q: What assets can I leave to the Press?
A: You may designate:
- A specific cash amount
- A percentage of your estate or assets
- The residual of your estate after your heirs are provided for
- Financial investments, such as stocks, bonds, or certificates of deposit
- UNC Press as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy or your retirement plan
- Items such as art, antiques, jewelry, real estate, or copyrights

Q: Do I have to let the Press know about my planned gift?
A: No. However, by informing us about your plans, you give UNC Press the opportunity to recognize you during your lifetime, you give yourself peace of mind knowing your intentions have been communicated clearly, and you give others the inspiration to follow your lead. Informing us does not make your gift binding. You may change your estate plan if your circumstances or priorities change.

Q: What is the legal name and tax I.D. number of the Press?

Q: How can I learn more about making a planned gift for the Press?
A: For more information please contact: Joanna Ruth Marsland, Director of Development, UNC Press, 116 S. Boundary St., Chapel Hill, NC 27514, (919) 962-0924, Joanna.Ruth.Marsland@uncpress.org

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