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The Legacy Society was established to ensure Wood Library's future financial stability and continued excellence through planned gifts. The Society recognizes the special people who have included Wood Library in their charitable giving plans. It was named for Charles A. Loomis who is recognized as the first person to endow a gift to Wood Library in 1897. Legacy Society members value the library and its role in the community, and they want it to thrive. Through individualized planned gifts, Legacy Society members help to create a stable financial future for Wood Library and create a personal legacy.

What are Legacy gifts?

Legacy gifts provide for the library's future financial stability and continued excellence. They are realized during or after a donor's lifetime. The most common and simple way to make a Legacy gift is to designate Wood Library in a will bequest or name the library as a beneficiary of a retirement asset or life insurance policy. Legacy gifts can also be property or securities, or a deferred gift such as a charitable gift annuity or a trust. Learn more about the different types of Legacy gift options in the accompanying materials.

Create your legacy—make a difference!

With careful planning, you can create a Legacy gift that will have a lasting impact. In addition to the financial flexibility and tax benefits offered, legacy gifts provide an opportunity to make a difference during and beyond your lifetime. When you include Wood Library in your charitable giving plans and let us know about it, we will invite you to become more involved in the life of the library. You will receive an invitation to special events; and, with your permission, we will list your name in our annual Report to the Community.

Ready to get started?

We hope you will consider a planned gift for Wood Library and join the Legacy Society. The accompanying materials will help you get started. Once you are ready to take the next step, be sure to talk with your legal or financial advisor to plan for and create your own personal legacy.

Learn more about Wood Library and legacy giving at woodlibrary.org.

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