Planned Giving

STIMSON
We founded the Stimson Center in 1989 when the world was changing radically and familiar policy prescriptions were increasingly irrelevant.

We were drawn to Henry L. Stimson as our namesake because he embodied the traits of international engagement and bipartisanship. Like Stimson, we wished to pursue pragmatic steps toward ideal objectives. Thirty years later, we’re proud to see that the Stimson Center has grown to be one of the most effective and influential think tanks in the country. By investing in Stimson, we have built a legacy of impact that is reaching around the globe. We invite you to make the Stimson Center, and it’s innovative and pragmatic work, part of your legacy as well by making a planned gift to the Center. Thank you for joining us in creating a more peaceful and prosperous future for all.

BARRY BLECHMAN

MICHAEL KREPON
A planned gift is a contribution that is arranged in the present and allocated at a future date. It enhances your philanthropic objectives and enables you to address other financial and estate planning issues while making a gift.

Planned gifts include lead trusts, bequests, life insurance, and retirement plans. Each gift option offers various benefits, which can include:

- Making a significant contribution without giving up your assets and retaining control and use of those assets during your lifetime.
- A bequest costs you nothing immediately, and you may modify that bequest at any time at your discretion.
- Gifts to the Stimson Center from your estate are exempt from estate taxes.
- You can leave a larger charitable gift than you may be able to give currently and an enduring legacy to benefit a cause that you care about.

Make a planned gift to the Stimson Center today and take an active role in addressing the world’s most pressing challenges.
Below you will find a listing of many possible ways you can support the Stimson Center through a planned gift. We recommend that you speak with your financial advisor about which options are right for you.

**BEQUESTS**

Bequests are gifts from your estate in the form of cash or other property. They're an easily modifiable, convenient way to make a planned gift at no immediate cost to you. To make a bequest, simply include language in your will or living trust, or designate The Henry L. Stimson Center as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or life insurance policy.
CASH GIFTS

Cash gifts are the most common type of gift given. To make a cash gift, please visit our website, or make checks payable to the Stimson Center. See our contact information for details.

ENDOWMENTS

Create a lasting and meaningful legacy for you or a loved one by establishing an endowment through Stimson during your lifetime and ensuring that the programs you most care about continue for years to come.

LIFE INSURANCE

If you hold a life insurance policy, you can make a gift by naming the Stimson Center as a beneficiary. You can make a donation to be paid-in-full through a one-time gift or through ongoing payments.

RETIREMENT PLANS

You have the option to name the Stimson Center as a beneficiary of your retirement plans. Doing so is a tax-efficient and meaningful way to support the Center’s work for years to come. Charity beneficiaries, versus individuals, are not taxed on your plan; therefore, Stimson can appreciate the full value of your generous contribution.

CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST

A charitable remainder trust is a transfer to a trust, either during your lifetime or through your will. You can create a trust so that income is annually provided, through either cash or investments, to the Stimson Center for the number of years you desire. Charitable remainder trusts are another tax-efficient way to make a planned gift and leave a meaningful legacy in your name.
Why choose the Stimson Center for your planned gift?

Protect the rights and security of those in crisis.

As the world becomes ever more globalized and connected, humanitarian crises grow to be transnational priorities. Your contribution will help us design effective solutions.

Be a part of the global movement to combat climate change and ensure environmental security for all.

Environmental challenges have become some of the most preeminent concerns of our time, and will continue to be so in the future. Make a planned contribution today so that future generations can enjoy their right to a healthy life and a safe, stable environment.

Ensure peace and protection against threats of illegal conventional weapons, WMDs and nuclear proliferation.

For nearly 30 years, Stimson has been a leading voice in advising leaders and policymakers in the US and abroad about developing comprehensive solutions to these challenges. Help us continue to produce quality research and implement practical solutions that will protect against these threats for years to come.
If you’ve made a planned gift to Stimson, please let us know by completing our confidential letter of intent and returning it to us by mail or email.

**NOTIFY US BY MAIL**

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By informing Stimson of your intended gift, you not only allow us to plan for the future, but you open up new opportunities for personal engagement with Stimson.