

The **SOCIETY OF ANGELS** was formed to recognize individuals who have chosen to leave a planned gift for HCHS. The **Society of Angels** members are distinguished men and women committed to the continued excellence of historic preservation, which can only be achieved through private financial support and the building of the endowment fund. Highland County Historical Society receives no government funding.

The **Society of Angels** seeks to:

Increase the level of support from friends of HCHS

Provide a unique framework within which planned gifts can be made and recognized

Stimulate interest and involvement in the future of HCHS

There are a variety of planned giving options to help you and your advisors realize your philanthropic goals while balancing your financial concerns. Some of the most popular planned gifts are:

Bequests

Including HCHS in your will is easy, and should your circumstances change, it is also revocable. You may choose to designate HCHS as a remainder beneficiary, or the recipient of a specific dollar amount, item, or per-

centage of your estate.

Appreciated Securities

Donating publicly traded securities that have appreciated in value over the long term (at least 12 months) can benefit both you and HCHS. In most cases, you avoid capital gains taxes and are able to receive an income tax deduction for the market value of the securities on the date of the gift.

Trusts

For those looking to make larger gifts while realizing income and/or estate tax savings, trusts may be an option for you.

Life Insurance and IRA Plans

You may designate HCHS as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy or IRA.

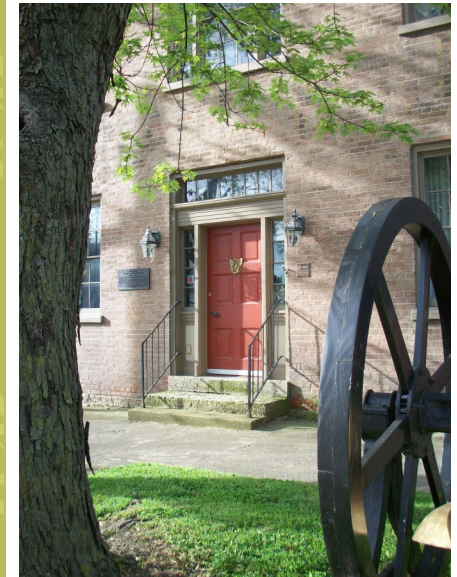
You should visit with your attorney or financial advisor to decide the best option for you and your situation. If you have already included HCHS in your estate plans, please let us know. We would like to thank you for your generous intent and, if you are willing, to welcome you into the **Society of Angels**.

For more information on how to become a **Society of Angels** member by making arrangements for a planned gift to benefit Highland County Historical Society, please call the Museum at 937.393.3392.

This brochure is not meant as legal nor financial advise. Individuals have individual needs and you should speak with your attorney or financial advisor before making any decision regarding gifts.

**HIGHLAND COUNTY
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In 1965, the Highland County Historical Society was formed to collect, organize and preserve articles relating to the history of Highland County. In 1966, a permanent home for the Society was found and purchased. “**HIGHLAND HOUSE**” was the name the building had used when serving as a boarding house.

HCHS was founded out of the passion of many local folks who gave their time, their expertise and their money. Then they went to their friends and convinced them to join in. Throughout the years, as those founders left our sides, we found that many of them had remembered Highland County Historical Society in their final arrangements.



The HCHS collections have grown steadily since our founding in 1965. Through the thoughtful decisions of men and women who cherished our history, the society has preserved our material culture and created a place where future generations can enjoy their heritage.

With increasing costs of heating, cooling and other utilities, insurance, services such as cleaning and lawn care, we sometimes have trouble making the income match the expenditures. With the addition of Scott House to HCHS holdings, the stress on our funds, until that building can become self sufficient through office rental, has become overwhelming. When unanticipated expenses pop up, too often we must go to the principle of our investments, thus reducing our yearly income.

Planned giving offers donors flexibility and creativity. Unlike annual gifts that are made

from current income, planned gifts are usually made from capital assets that, in addition to cash, could include appreciated securities, life insurance, retirement plans, and real estate. Planned giving may also enable donors to give generously while helping to preserve financial security, provide for a loved one, reduce estate and income taxes, avoid capital gains taxes, and/or increase income from low-yielding securities.

We have formed the **SOCIETY OF ANGELS** to recognize individuals who have chosen to leave a planned gift for Highland County Historical Society. As a member of the **Society of Angels**, the commitment of a donor serves as a foundation for the future for Highland County Historical Society. His or her support allows us to climb higher, strive further, and reach for our creative historical preservation ideals.

