

You give to make a difference in the lives of others.

When people are hurting, animals are endangered, or the environment is threatened, you help. Your charitable gift touches those in need today. The world's problems aren't easy to solve, but your gifts build solutions.

The charitable organizations you support right here in the Eastern Upper Peninsula also touch the future. They will be creating your vision for a better world long after your lifetime. Their work, and the lives they touch, can be your legacy.

Sharon loved to be around young people. She said it kept her young – and if she could share a little wisdom, so much the better. The scholarship created by her gift will continue to share wisdom forever.



Like those highlighted here, you can make a difference in the lives to follow.

For more information about including a local charity in your will, contact any of those listed below, or your legal or financial advisor.

Bayliss Public Library

p: 632-9331 | e: board@baylisslibrary.org

**Chippewa County
Community Foundation**

p: 635-1046 | e: cccf@lighthouse.net

Chippewa County Historical Society

p: 635-7082 | e: cchs@sault.com

**Hospice of the Eastern
Upper Peninsula**

p: 259-0222 | e: tholt@hospiceoftheup.com

River of History Museum

p: 632-1999

Soo Theatre Project

p: 632-1930 | e: info@sootheatre.org

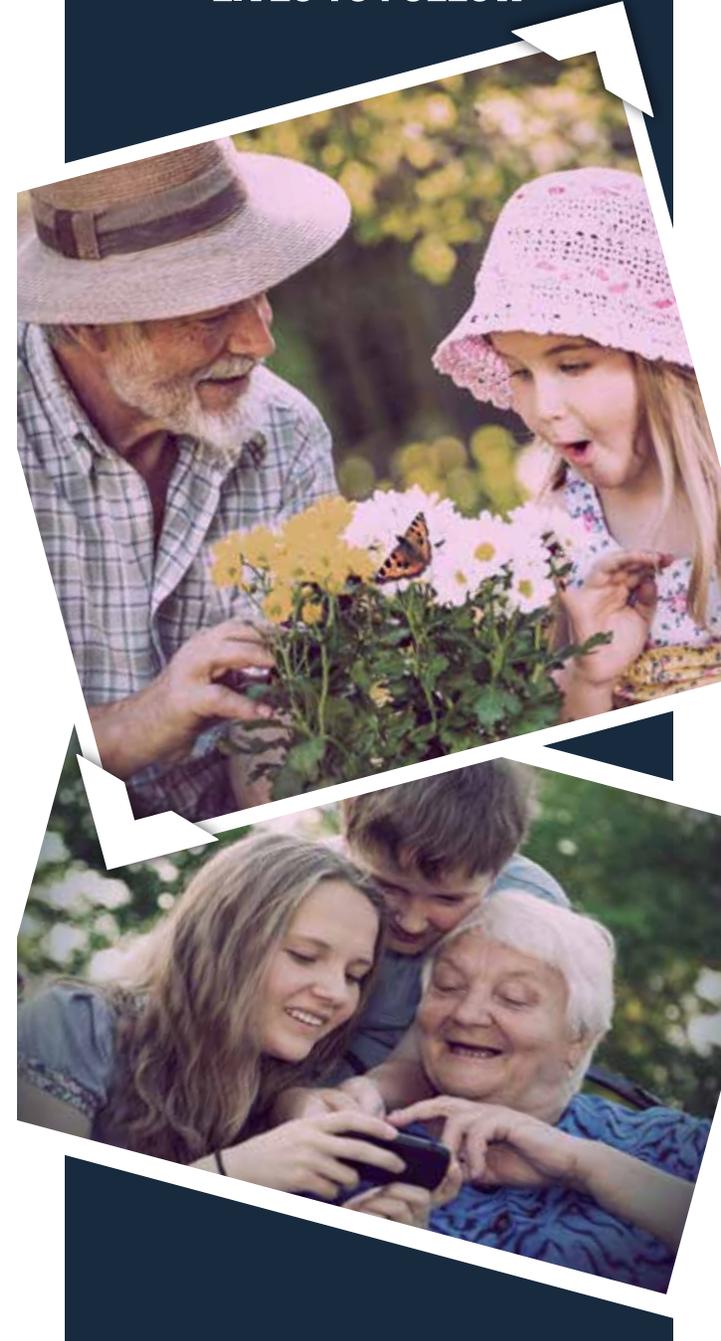
**United Way of the Eastern
Upper Peninsula**

p: 632-3700 | e: tracey@unitedwayeup.org

War Memorial Hospital

p: 635-4351 | e: pbray@wmhos.org

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Charlie passed on his love of history to his son, who then shared it with his own. When Charlie passed, his bequest to maintain and explain the history of our community will share that love with so many more.

We rely on charitable organizations and they rely on us.

We rely on them to help the sick and injured, to feed the hungry, teach our children, present the arts, preserve our history, train our care givers, and shelter the homeless. They rely on us for survival. While many charities receive some support from government agencies, the majority of their funding comes from everyday folk – people just like you who give generously throughout their lives.

But did you know by including a charitable gift in your will, you can help to continue your favorite organization's work well into the future? You can continue to make a difference in the lives to follow.

What you should know...

You can make a legacy gift to charity. Whether you think of yourself as rich or poor, or somewhere in-between, your gift can make a difference. Even a small amount can have a big impact over time.

You can leave money to your family and to your favorite charity. Some people think they must choose between leaving a gift to their family or their favorite charity. You can do both. Some gifts may actually save your family money by decreasing estate taxes.

Mable spent a good number of her final years in need of care for some serious medical issues. Her final gift to support that care for others in our community didn't surprise anyone who knew her.



Frank didn't miss one of grandkids' soccer games, dance recitals, or plays. His legacy gift means other granddads in our community will enjoy those moments too.

You can start today:

- » Make sure you have an up-to-date will that reflects your charitable objectives. Without these documents you surrender control of your property and assets to the courts.
- » Contact your advisor and ask for help in putting your wishes down in writing. You can talk with a financial planner, a lawyer or an accountant for help.
- » Think beyond cash gifts – you can leave stocks, real estate, insurance policies and personal property to charities.
- » Make your favorite charity a beneficiary of your life insurance, pension plan or IRA.