

MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE

The YMCA of Metro Denver is a place of belonging for all, providing community connection, family support, healthful movement, personal growth and life-long learning for all. With a bit of planning, you can support the Y in a very powerful way.

# **Beneficiary Designations: Easy and Flexible**

Did you know that retirement plans, IRAs, life insurance policies, donor advised funds and commercial annuities are not affected by a will? These accounts are dispersed according to beneficiary designations, and a beneficiary doesn't have to be a person — it can be an organization whose mission you want to continue long after your lifetime. When you name the YMCA of Metro Denver as a beneficiary, you make an impact on our organization's future and create a legacy for yourself that stands for strong and healthy communities.

## How to Make the Y a Beneficiary

- 1. Visit the website of your retirement plan administrator, insurance company, bank or financial institution to make the change online or to request a change-of-beneficiary form.
- 2. Determine what amount or percentage of the account value you would like the Y to receive.
- 3. Name the YMCA of Metro Denver as the beneficiary. (Federal Tax ID: 84-0402696)
- 4. Return or submit the form as directed by the institution.
- Let us know of your gift intentions to ensure your gift will have the desired impact for the Y in the future.

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#### **Retirement Plan or IRA**

When left to loved ones, retirement plans and IRAs are subject to income tax. When left to the Y however, they pass on tax-free, allowing us to put 100 percent of your gift toward transforming lives and communities. If you are considering a gift, it can be more tax-efficient to leave taxable assets like retirement plans to non-profit organizations like the Y and give other assets like stocks or real estate to loved ones.

### **Life Insurance Policies**

By naming the Y as beneficiary of your life insurance policy, your small premium payments transform into a sizable gift to further our mission. And your allocation is revocable at any time if your plans change. Tell family, friends or organizations if you've selected them as a beneficiary, because your beneficiaries must contact your financial institution for distribution. Your assets will be distributed to your beneficiaries without requiring a will or other legal documents.

#### **Commercial Annuities**

Annuities are tax-heavy assets. Income tax is based on the growth of the annuity — in other words, its value when you die over what you paid for it. The tax burden of commercial annuities makes them another popular choice to leave to a tax-exempt organization like the Y.

### **Donor Advised Funds**

A donor advised fund (DAF) gives you flexibility to recommend how much and how frequently money is granted to the Y and other charities. Through a DAF, you can transfer cash or other assets to a community foundation or financial brokerage, and in return, you qualify for an income tax charitable deduction for your gifts.



# Need help getting started?

#### **Contact:**

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If you've already named the YMCA as a beneficiary or in your will, please let us know!



#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Legal Name: YMCA OF METROPOLITAN DENVER
Address: 2625 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver 80222
IRS Tax Identification Number (EIN): 84-0402696
Website: https://denverymca.org/planned-giving

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