#### **CARES NORTHWEST**

Philanthropy & Community Engagement





# Naming CARES Northwest as a benefitcary of a Retirement Account

Beneficiary designations are one of the simplest and most flexible ways to make a gift. As you think about ways to arrange your charitable legacies, keep in mind the following reasons why this gift type is so popular and might be a smart way for you to give:

- You can make the gift without having to revise your will or living trust.
- It is easy to modify the beneficiary forms to adapt to changing intentions and circumstances.
- Arranging such a gift is simple and generally entails little or no expense.
- When a charity is a beneficiary of retirement funds, those funds will not be subject to income tax.
- You may save estate taxes, depending on the size of your estate.
- The gift becomes available to the charity with little delay.

### How to Make a Gift by Beneficiary Designation

It's simple! You can ask your policy administrator for a change-of-beneficiary form, or you can often find this form on your provider's website, and then name CARES Northwest as a beneficiary of any of the financial instruments below.



## **Types of Beneficiary Designations**

- IRA and Qualified Retirement-Plan Distributions
- · Donor-Advised Fund
- Insurance Products
- Bank Accounts
- Brokerage Accounts

## **Next Steps**

- 1. Request a change-of-beneficiary form from the administrator of your retirement plan, insurance policy, or bank account or download a form from your provider's website.
- 2. Designate what percentage you would like CARES Northwest to receive, name CARES Northwest, and indicate the percentage you chose on the beneficiary form.
- 3. Return the completed form to your provider.
- 4. Contact us to let us know your goals for the gift so we can thank you for your generosity and ensure your gift is used as you intend.

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