Planned Giving

Making a gift for today and tomorrow with Barren Heights



Dear **Barren Heights** Community,

Thank you so much for your ongoing prayers and support of our mission and ministry to the special needs community. We know that every day is a gift from God and that nothing is guaranteed. God has given us all things to enjoy and share in the spirit of love, generosity, and joy far greater than we can keep to ourselves. Let us grow in our experience of this love, knowing that it is in giving we receive—beyond anything that is ours alone.

Whether Barren Heights benefits from your planned giving or not, we encourage you to have a written plan. We read in Deuteronomy, "We all drink from wells we did not dig." A planned gift is a financially prudent and spiritually stewarding way to manage how those assets are passed down. We hope that Barren Heights can be part of your plan and your legacy, because planned giving has a tremendous, lasting kingdom impact.

Blessings,

Alli Baldwin

Abbi Rose Baldwin, Executive Director





What is a Planned Gift?

Most of us are familiar with tithing and making personal contributions to our favorite charities. Planned giving is somewhat different. It involves making a gift-during the donor's lifetime or at death-that is part of the donor's overall financial or estate planning. It is a wonderful way to express your values, demonstrate your faith in action, and ensure your personal legacy with the causes that you care most about. Planned gifts can take advantage of tax and legal strategies in ways that can benefit a person or family's estate. They can also take many forms, such as appreciated securities, artwork, real estate, life insurance policies, or retirement funds.

If you entrust Barren Heights with a planned gift, we promise to be faithful stewards of your generosity. We understand that you are making an investment in Barren Heights' future with your gift, and we will work with you to make sure it is utilized exactly as you intend. We pledge total fiscal accountability and transparency. Most importantly, we will give all honor and glory to God.



"God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

2 Corinthians 9:8



Examples of Planned Gifts

to Barren Heights

You can name Barren Heights as a full or partial beneficiary of an IRA, life insurance, annuity, or retirement account.



You can make Barren Heights the beneficiary on an investment account. A beneficiary can be added to a bank account or certificate of deposit by using a "Payable on Death" agreement. For investment securities and real estate (including your personal residence), you can use a "Transfer on Death" agreement.



You can state in your will that a specific dollar amount, a specific percentage of your estate, or specific assets can be given to Barren Heights at your passing. Remember that your will only covers those assets that do not have a beneficiary designation attached.

A visit with a planned giving specialist can give you other creative ideas to satisfy your needs. Contact Barren Heights for more information!

How will my gift be used?

You may allow future Barren Heights' Team and Board to determine how best to use your gift, or you may choose to direct the gift to support a specific area of our ministry that is particularly meaningful to you. If no specific designation is made, one-half of the gift's proceeds will be placed in the Programming Fund, one-quarter in the Facilities Fund, and one-quarter in the General Operations Fund. To consider various options, please contact our office prior to finalizing your gift.

Impact of Planned Giving

at Barren Heights



As you know, my heart belongs wholeheartedly to Jesus! My desire is to "connect people to Jesus and one another." Specifically, He gave me a passion 25 years ago to invest in families and individuals with disabilities. Barren Heights is a perfect ministry for me to continue this God-given passion for eternal dividends in the lives of countless people.

Jennifer Volunteer and Donor



Tonight, we attended our first Benefit Dinner for the Barren Heights Retreat. I can almost guarantee there wasn't a single person in that room tonight that didn't shed any tears. Being a niece of a special needs uncle, I understand how much my grandparents have struggled throughout the years to support and take care of my uncle. This ministry is by far the biggest blessing, and I didn't realize

how big until tonight. If you haven't heard of Barren Heights Retreat I ask that you look it up, read all about it, and support them in every way! I ask that you take time to donate to these children, this retreat to support these children and families.

> Chelsie Donor