MONTROSE SOCIETY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Notre Dame of Maryland University's rich and progressive tradition in education has endured and thrived from the 19th century. How appropriate that those who wish to nurture and sustain that heritage can do so with a legacy gift that makes them members of the Montrose Society. In both spirit and in name, the Montrose Society commemorates the very founding and values of the institution its members support.

WHAT IS THE MONTROSE SOCIETY?

The Montrose Society is composed of loyal graduates, friends, faculty, and staff committed to the future of Notre Dame of Maryland University who have stated their intention to include Notre Dame in their estate plans. By joining the Montrose Society, these inspired supporters strengthen and sustain the University in years to come. What is required to become a member of the Montrose Society? By signing the Montrose Society form you are stating your intention to remember Notre Dame of Maryland University in your estate plans. You can do this in a number of ways:

- Remembering Notre Dame in your will;
- Making Notre Dame a beneficiary of your retirement account or insurance policy;
- Naming Notre Dame as a beneficiary of your savings or checking account;
- Bequeathing real or personal property to the University.

WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

Notre Dame was built on the legacies of benefactors, mostly women, whose philanthropy continues to inspire. It is now our time to help strengthen and sustain the University's mission of excellence in education for future generations through legacy gifts.

HOW DO I START?

Becoming a member is easy. First, obtain a Montrose Society application form online at **www.ndm.edu/giving/create-a-legacy** by scrolling to the end of the page and downloading the form. You may also contact Kelley Kilduff in the Advancement Office at 410-532-3185 or kkilduff@ndm.edu. She welcomes the opportunity to work with you to develop a plan.

IS THERE A MINIMUM GIFT AMOUNT?

There is no minimum gift required. Montrose Society members are asked for their signature as an intention to give, but do not need to state the gift amount. If you are comfortable sharing, the University would be pleased to receive details of your intention.

CAN I DESIGNATE MY GIFT TO A DEPARTMENT OR SPECIFIC AREA?

Yes, you may designate your gift to an academic department, scholarship, or special need. The University can assist you in selecting your specific area of interest.

DO I NEED A LAWYER?

No, an attorney is not necessary.

CAN I BE ANONYMOUS?

Yes, we respect your desire to remain anonymous. Your name can be excluded from all plaques or printed and online listings of Montrose Society members. However, we encourage all Montrose Society members to share the good news of their commitment. Your story encourages others to be philanthropic.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP?

Members received Montrose Society pins from our University president at a special ceremony honoring new members and recognizing current members following the Reunion liturgy each year. In addition, members are warmly invited to key University events to encourage their continued participation in the life of NDMU. However, the most rewarding benefit is knowing that you are helping to pass on the University's legacy to future generations.

HOW DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

You can go directly to www.ndm.edu/giving/create-a-legacy/

• This site provides detailed information. You may also contact Kelley Kilduff, at 410-532-3185, or kkilduff@ndm.edu for additional information. Thank you for considering joining the Montrose Society with a legacy commitment.