

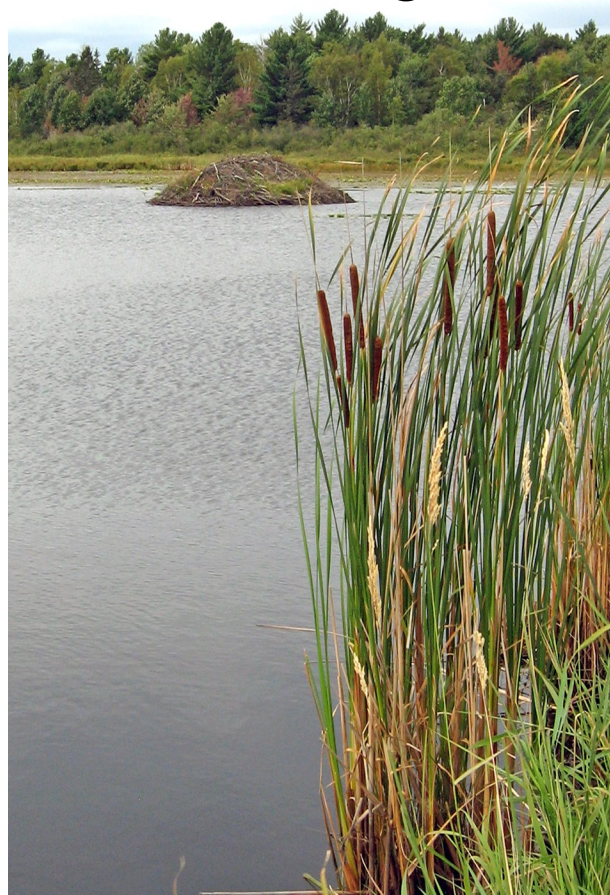
- Year-round access to protected natural areas
- Guided explorations and outdoor events
- Connecting our youth to the wonders of nature on our shared landscape
- Engaging volunteers in caring for our protected lands

Your legacy gift will help ensure that others can enjoy the natural wonders of the Keweenaw.



Keweenaw Land Trust

Planned Giving Guide



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Leave a Legacy

The Keweenaw Peninsula - there's no place like it on Earth. Turn your fond memories into a gift that will last forever - one that will help conserve what you love about the region for future generations.

One of the most enduring and simple ways is to remember the Keweenaw Land Trust in your will.

You can plan a legacy gift regardless of your current assets or income. Even an individual with a small estate can arrange to leave a charitable gift. Donors can give specific assets, portions of their estates, or portions of what is left in their estate after payment of bequests to others.

The simple insertion of a clause naming the Keweenaw Land Trust as the direct or backup beneficiary of a portion of your estate will create a lasting legacy based on your wishes. The Land Trust can be named alongside other organizations to share the benefit of your charitable goodwill.

Some methods for leaving a legacy gift to the Keweenaw Land Trust include:

- Wills
- Trusts
- Retirement assets or Life Estates
- Appreciated securities
- Real estate, with or without conservation value (please request our publication on donating land for more information)
- Cash or stocks
- Charitable gift annuities
- Life Insurance Proceeds

Benefits of a Bequest

Your bequest will have a lasting impact on the Keweenaw Land Trust's efforts to protect the land, water, and quality of life of the Keweenaw region.

Benefits include:

- Your assets remain in your control during your lifetime
- You can modify your bequest if your circumstances change
- There is no upper limit on the estate tax deductions for charitable bequests
- Your estate's tax liability may be reduced.
- It is private, and the Land Trust will honor your intentions including how you wish to be recognized.

Financial or legal professionals can assist you in making the right decisions for you and your heirs. Contact the Land Trust if you need help finding professional assistance.



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The Keweenaw Land Trust will want to honor your wishes or goals so please be sure to provide guidance for the use of your legacy gift. Unrestricted gifts give the Land Trust flexibility and can help meet critical needs. Gifts are often directed to purchasing land for nature areas or to the Land Stewardship or operating reserve funds that help sustain the organization and the quality of our protected lands and the many benefits they provide.

You may also benefit the Keweenaw Land Trust by giving to our designated endowment fund at the Keweenaw Community Foundation. Interest earned by this fund provides one source of annual income for the Land Trust. Foundation advisors are available to assist you with your gift. The Foundation's website is www.k-c-f.org

I wanted to benefit family members, and also have a lasting impact on my community. I love the serenity one can find in the natural world and am proud that I was able to help the Keweenaw Land Trust purchase land to establish a nature area in memory of a dear friend. It was wonderfully satisfying to devise with my advisor's help a plan that gifted my own nature area along with cash gifts to the Land Trust and the Copper Country Audubon whose work I value. I know they will use these gifts wisely for the benefit of nature and the community that enriched my life.

-Marilyn Mason, who remembered the Land Trust in her will

When you notify us that you have made a gift to the Keweenaw Land Trust in your estate plan, you become a member of our Legacy Circle. There are no fees or minimum amount, and the amount of your gift does not have to be revealed.

Once you are a member, you are always a member. Your gift will be recognized with a native tree or shrub, planted on one of the Keweenaw Land Trust's nature areas in the Keweenaw Peninsula, and your name will be recognized in our online and print media as you wish.



Marilyn Mason

Perpetuate your values.

During your lifetime, you have the satisfaction of knowing your bequest will support the Keweenaw Land Trust's conservation, stewardship, and education efforts well into the future. However you decide to direct your gift, you can be assured it will have a lasting impact on the future of the Keweenaw Peninsula and its visitors.

"I am extremely proud that we've been able to gift this special place to the public through KLT. My mom Vera would show us the rotting oak bench (still there after 100 years) where she and her 7 siblings would sit on excursions there. My grandfather took the horse Fanny and wagon there to get potatoes and other produce he grew to feed his big family. I'm told that John Steve was a poor, but loving, man who cared well for his family. We are all very happy to honor his memory with this gift."

-Sharon Emley, member of the Steve family, donors of the Steve Farm Nature Area at Lovell Creek

Use this language as the legal designation in your will or trust:

The Keweenaw Land Trust is a Michigan non-profit corporation with the address of 49902 Limerick Street Hancock, Michigan, 49930.

Federal tax identification number is 38-3299537.

Declaration of Intent (optional)

All information is kept strictly confidential.

I/We have made estate provisions to the Keweenaw Land Trust through (circle):

- Will
- Life Insurance Policy
- Charitable Trust
- Retirement Assets
- Other _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Approximate value of gift (optional) _____

Percentage of estate (optional) _____

Other _____

I/We give permission for donor(s) to be listed as members of the Legacy Circle. Please list name(s):

This Declaration of Intent is an expression of my/our present plans and is subject to change or modification by me/us. If changes are made, I/we will notify the Keweenaw Land Trust.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Send completed form to:

Keweenaw Land Trust
Executive Director, Confidential
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