

YOUR GIFT WILL KEEP ON GIVING

Just by helping others with your donations to our Charitable Foundation you are eligible for tax savings as well as fulfilling your Masonic and Knightly acts of charity. You may donate in a variety of ways.

OUTRIGHT GIFT

Gifts of \$250.00 either by lump sum or by accumulated installments by a Knight Companion, the Caritas Jewel will be awarded as a token of your contributions. Gifts may also be made by a Conclave or an individual in memory of a deceased Knight Companion, a friend, or a member of the family. A beautiful memorial card will be sent to the family of the deceased, in the name of the donor, acknowledging that a donation has been made to the Foundation in memory of their departed loved one.

A BEQUEST

Gifts can be set aside in your will designating our Charitable Foundation as beneficiary. This can be an RRSP, RRIF, an insurance policy or cash. Gifts of securities and properties may also be considered. A tax receipt issued to the estate can offset taxes on other income including capital gains.

THE CARITAS JEWEL

To commemorate the establishment of the Grand Imperial Conclave's Charitable Foundation and to recognize those who dispense charity in the giving spirit of true Christian Knighthood, a unique and handsome Charity Jewel has been created. This emblem is known as the "CARITAS JEWEL" and by statute may be worn at all Conclave functions.



The Latin word "Caritas" reflects the motto of our Charitable Foundation: "Caritas Numquam Excidit" (Charity never Faileth). The Caritas Jewel is presented to a Knight Companion donating \$250.00 to the Charitable Foundation, either by lump sum or by accumulated installments.

THE GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF CANADA RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth. And now abideth faith, hope charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

THE BEGINNING

Realizing that Charity, Benevolence and, Christian virtues are pre-eminent in the heart of every true and faithful Masonic Knight Companion of Constantinian tradition, a resolution was proposed at the Grand Executive Committee meeting held on September 19, 1994, that the Masonic and Military Order of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders through the Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada establish a Charitable Foundation. At the Annual Assembly held the following day, the proposed resolution was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted.

The foundation, named:

“THE GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF CANADA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION”

Was legally incorporated under the Canada Corporations Act and presented with Letters Patent on October 11, 1995. On the same day, Revenue Canada granted to the new Charitable Foundation tax-exempt status under the Income Tax Act, so that every contributing donor would be entitled to an income tax receipt with all applicable tax benefits.

OUR GOAL

“Arthritis in one form or another has been around for a long time. Some Egyptian mummies show unmistakable signs of osteo-arthritis, as do the frozen remains of the Copper-Age man discovered in the Tyrolean Alps.”

‘The Medical Advisor’

The chief purpose of our particular branch of Masonic Charity is to gift funds to medical research and other organizations dedicated to finding cures for illnesses such as Arthritis and other debilitating diseases afflicting the aged of our society,

As the Arthritis Society of Canada not only has a register of all the various treatment and management modalities concerning arthritis but has been one of the biggest supporters into Arthritis research, the Charitable Foundation has partnered with the Arthritis Society such that all donations from the Charitable Foundation will be used to help fund medical research .

Today arthritis is the number one cause of long-term disability in North America. Over 55 million people suffer from arthritis and two hundred thousand of those are children. Arthritis costs the Canadian taxpayer about 18 billion dollars in missed work days, and today we find that that this disease affects 60 percent of the population under 60 years of age. It is no longer strictly an infirmity of the elderly.

I hereby give written direction, as a donor, that the

sum of _____

Dollars given by gift to THE GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF CANADA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION (BN 88768 8356 RR 0001) be held for a period of not less than ten years.

NAME: _____ CONCLAVE NO. _____

Address: _____ Phone (____) _____

City/Province: _____ Postal Code _____

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