

## Giving Made Easy

One of the simplest ways for you to make a future contribution to support the AVA: America's Walking Club is through your will or trust. To put the AVA in your plans, please use our legal name, American Volkssport Association, Inc. The AVA's IRS tax-identification number is 74-2164037.

Here is the recommended clause for making an outright, unrestricted bequest to the AVA.

*The American Volkssport Association is to receive [the sum of (specific amount) or (percentage) percent of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate]. This bequest is unrestricted, and the National Executive Council or other governing body may use the bequest in any manner it deems appropriate.*

The AVA prefers bequests to be made for unrestricted purposes for greatest flexibility. However, the AVA also welcomes specific requests for current program areas. To enable the AVA to use bequest funds as intended and yet allow for unforeseen changes in needs, please add the following wording to a restricted bequest.

*In the event that the American Volkssport Association determines that the purpose for which this gift is made is no longer appropriate or practicable, the American Volkssport Association may use said funds as in its discretion may seem most appropriate for other purposes allied to or in harmony with the spirit and purpose of the gift as described above.*

Please consult your own attorney for legal advice. AVA provides this information as a guideline and does not provide legal services for potential donors. If you are planning to make the American Volkssport Association one of the beneficiaries of your estate plans, please tell our Executive Director as soon as possible. AVA will want to be sure they are able to accept your legacy gift. AVA can only accept gifts in cash, trusts, life insurance, bequests or securities which can be converted to cash.

If you have questions, please contact our Executive Director at the AVA office at [execdir@ava.org](mailto:execdir@ava.org) or 210-659-2112.

**Thank you!**

**AVA: America's Walking Club**

*America's Premier  
Noncompetitive Sports  
Organization*

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## America's Walking Club Planned Giving Program

### *AVA's Angels*



#### ***Have You Been Looking For Something Meaningful To Invest In ?***

Planned Giving presents the perfect opportunity to support the American Volkssport Association (AVA), a 501(c)(3) National Nonprofit Organization

Your gift represents an investment in the health of our Nation and the future of thousands of event participants seeking **fun, fitness, and friendship.**

This pamphlet provides a brief description of several ways to make contributions as part of Planned Giving.

Choose the giving method that best achieves your objectives and is aligned with the Mission of the AVA.

## Gift Giving

Gifts most sought after are unrestricted ones that allow AVA the flexibility to use them to address our highest priority objectives or to address unanticipated opportunities or unexpected challenges.

## Planned Giving

This term is generally reserved for large gifts which involve detailed planning by the donor and his or her attorney, tax accountant or other advisors. Tax laws encourage contributions to philanthropic endeavors. But the tax advantages vary with the nature of the gift.

## Types of Deferred Gifts

The deferred gift can be created now through an estate plan; yet the organization would not receive full interest on the property until sometime later.

## Life Income Trusts

There are two types of trusts which permit a donor to retain a lifetime income from cash or property transferred to a charitable cause, and also to realize current income tax benefits.

## Charitable Remainder Trusts

These provide that the donor or other named beneficiary receive an income from the trust. Title to the trust passes to the designated organization upon the death of last named beneficiary.

Charitable remainder trusts can be structured in two ways, as an annuity, paying a specified dollar amount at stated intervals. Or as a hedge against inflation, the trust can be structured to pay a fixed percentage of the trust's assets.

## Charitable Lead Trusts

A mirror image of the charitable remainder trust described above. The charitable lead trust assigns from the trust an income to the recipient with remaining assets either reverting to the donor, or being paid to an individual designated by the donor.

## Deferred Gifts Continued

### Life Insurance

Gifts of life insurance provide a way to make a sizable gift at a relatively low cost. A gift of a policy is made either by delivering and assigning ownership of the policy to AVA, or by naming them as the beneficiary. When you make an outright gift of a paid-up policy and name a nonprofit as the irrevocable owner and beneficiary, you may claim an immediate tax deduction equal to the replacement value of the policy.

You can also contribute a partially-paid up policy and claim an immediate tax deduction equal to the cash surrender value of the policy. You may even purchase and support a new policy naming AVA as the irrevocable owner and beneficiary. An immediate tax deduction can be claimed for the premium payments made.

### Bequests

A bequest is a written direction contained in a will which disposes of some or all of the property controlled by the will. Through a will, it is possible to give cash, securities, and life insurance proceeds. It is also possible to create a trust through a will.

Bequests also may be used to establish memorials in honor of the donor, family members or others.

**Call (210) 659-2112 or send a message to [execdir@ava.org](mailto:execdir@ava.org) for further advice and guidance.**

**We suggest you meet with your financial or legal advisors to help you plan your gift.**

**Thank you in advance for considering AVA as a potential recipient and becoming an AVA Angel.**

**Visit [ava.org](http://ava.org) for general information about the AVA: America's Walking Club.**

**The Mission of the American Volkssport Association is to promote and organize noncompetitive fitness activities that encourage lifelong fun, fitness and friendship for all ages and abilities.**



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AVA: America's Walking Club      AVA's Angels Planned Giving Program Registration Form

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Please let us know how you have placed the American Volkssport Association in your estate plans.  
Type of Gift to the AVA: (Please Check Type)

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Bequest in my will      \_\_\_\_\_ Charitable Remainder Trust  
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Life Insurance Policy Ownership      \_\_\_\_\_ Charitable Lead Trust  
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Life Insurance Beneficiary      \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to: American Volkssport Association, Attn: Henry Rosales      **Thank you for becoming an AVA Angel!**  
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