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BUILDING NURSING'S LEGACY

American Nurses Foundation urges nurses to invest in the profession's future

Silver Spring, MD – The American Nurses Foundation (ANF), the philanthropic arm of the American Nurses Association (ANA), is appealing to nurses to make a contribution to support nursing's future by making a "legacy" donation. Individuals who make donations at various "legacy" levels are recognized on ANF's Legacy Wall, housed at ANA's headquarters. Donations further the work of the ANF, the continued growth and development of nurses and services to advance the work of the nursing profession.

"ANF has changed the lives of many people through the application of knowledge generated by its scholars" said ANA Board of Trustees Chair Margarete L. Zalon, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC.

"The nearly 1,000 ANF Scholars who have been awarded research grants since ANF's inception in 1955 have given back to the profession by advancing the science of nursing so that nurses can improve their practice."

Now is the time to take advantage of the tax-deductible contributions of end-of-year giving. Pledge plans are available to individuals or groups who wish to make a contribution. Nurses are able to build donations over time—to work toward inclusion on the Legacy Wall.

Here is how current donors describe the benefits of building nursing's legacy through donating:

"As a former ANF Scholar, I support the Foundation's work to expand our legacy and advance nursing science. The pledge process is an easy way to build my contribution

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and ensure funding for future scholars. ANF is making a difference by investing in nursing research to enhance the health of the public.”

Pamela F. Cipriano, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, ANA and Virginia Nurses Association member

“The benefits of giving are immeasurably rewarding as one nurse helping countless nurses by giving to the ANF Legacy Wall at ANA headquarters.”

Rose Constantino, PhD, JD, RN, FAAN, FACHE, ANA and Pennsylvania State Nurses Association member

“An investment in nursing and research is an investment in preparing and educating the next generation of senior health care leaders. I want to leave a legacy that perpetuates me, my ideals or my cause while helping others to become successful and supporting the mission and work of ANF.”

Irene Trowell-Harris, RN, EdD, ANA and New York State Nurses Association member

ANF provides nurses with opportunities such as:

- Exploring warning signs of stress-related high blood pressure
- Delving into the stages of infant development
- Examining alternatives to the obesity trend
- Teaching prevention of food borne illnesses
- Developing new behavioral interventions for smoking cessation

Housed at the ANA headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland, the ANF Legacy Wall recognizes ANF donors whose contributions to the ANF Annual Fund over the course of their lifetime are \$10,000 or more through contributions and pledges.

A list of Legacy Wall donors is available [here](#).

More information about making a donation is available [here](#).

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For over 50 years, the American Nurses Foundation (ANF) continues to be the national philanthropic organization that promotes the health of the public and advances the nursing profession. ANF as a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization, relies on support from individuals, corporations, foundations, and government agencies that possess a strong interest in advancing nursing's future. Contributions to ANF are tax-deductible as charitable contributions.

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*The **American Nurses Association (ANA)** is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 3.1 million registered nurses through its constituent member nurses associations, its organizational affiliates, and its workforce advocacy affiliate, the Center for American Nurses. The ANA advances the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace, projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing, and by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public.*