

**HAVE YOU INCLUDED THE LIBRARY IN YOUR PLANNED GIVING? PLEASE LET US KNOW.**

**Check all that apply:**

- I have already included the Scarborough Public Library in my estate plans.
- I am planning to make a gift to the Scarborough Public Library in my estate plans.
- I would like to be contacted about including the Scarborough Public Library in my estate plans.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

**Please return to:**

Celeste Shinay  
Program and Development Manager  
Scarborough Public Library  
48 Gorham Road  
Scarborough, ME 04074

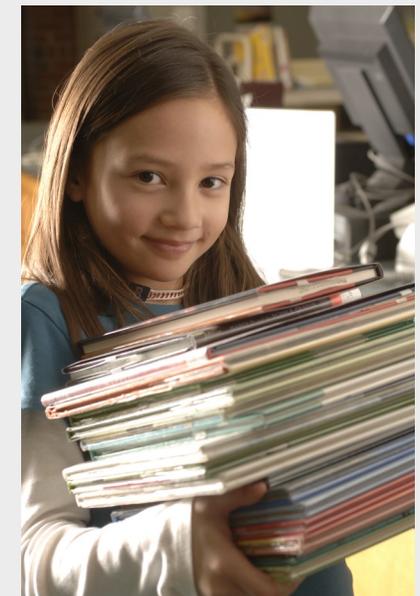


The Scarborough Public Library was founded in 1899 through the generosity of people who understood the enrichment a library would bring to the life of our community and its citizens. A charitable gift to the Library through planned giving is a meaningful way to continue their legacy and acknowledge the many benefits you have enjoyed at the Library.

Whatever your stage in life or financial means might be, there are several ways to plan a gift that will make a lasting impact on the future of the Scarborough Public Library—*your* library.

The information in this brochure offers suggestions on how you can give to the Scarborough Public Library—whether through a donation to the Annual Fund, Memorial / Honorary Gift Fund, or by joining the **1899 Society** through a planned gift.

48 Gorham Road, Scarborough, ME 04074  
T (207) 883-4723 | F (207) 883-9728  
[www.scarboroughlibrary.org](http://www.scarboroughlibrary.org)



**GIVING  
OPPORTUNITIES  
FOR TODAY...  
FOR A LIFETIME**

## **A GIFT FOR TODAY A GIFT FOR A LIFETIME**

The Scarborough Public Library enriches lives throughout the span of a lifetime. A charitable gift to the Library ensures our financial strength today and into the future, and it acknowledges our role as the primary cultural institution in our community. Whether a gift of cash or a planned gift, your support will benefit the Library and honor your trust in the important work we do. Because the Library is a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity, all gifts are tax deductible.

### **GIFTS OF CASH**

A gift of cash can be made by writing a check or using a credit card through our secure online website. It provides the Library with an immediate benefit and offers you a tax deduction for the full value.

### **MATCHING GIFTS**

Many businesses and corporations will match charitable gifts made by employees. Contact your company's personnel office to learn more about this easy way to increase your donation. And many companies will continue to match gifts made by retirees or members of an employee's family.

### **THE 1899 SOCIETY**

The **1899 Society** was formed by the Scarborough Public Library in 2013 to honor those who have chosen to support our mission by including the Library in their planned giving. This designation was named for the year the Library was incorporated and represents a legacy that has endured for over 100 years. Members of the **1899 Society** will be publicly acknowledged for their vision in supporting the Library into its second century of service.

## **1899 SOCIETY PLANNED GIVING OPPORTUNITIES**

If you are considering a planned gift to the Library, we suggest that you consult with your legal or financial advisor about the following options.

### **GIFTS THROUGH YOUR WILL**

One of the simplest ways of planning a gift is by naming the Scarborough Public Library Corporation in your will or living trust. This allows you to make a gift that costs nothing during your lifetime, but ensures the Library's future strength. Through this planned giving vehicle, you can make a substantial, lasting gift when you no longer need the assets.

### **GIFTS OF SECURITIES**

A gift of appreciated securities can be made to the Library by contributing long-term appreciated stock or other marketable securities.

### **GIFTS THROUGH RETIREMENT PLAN ASSETS OR AN IRA**

The Library can be named as a whole or partial beneficiary of a retirement plan or IRA. This option is often overlooked, and yet it is an easy way to plan a gift.

### **GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE**

Gifts of life insurance offer you the option to make a large gift at little cost by donating a paid-up policy to the Library, or by naming the Library as the beneficiary and owner of a new policy.

### **BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE 1899 SOCIETY**

If you wish to be acknowledged as a member of the **1899 Society**, please contact the Library once you have established your planned gift.

For additional information, contact Celeste Shinay, Program and Development Manager, at 883-4723 ext. 6279 or email [cshinay@scarboroughlibrary.org](mailto:cshinay@scarboroughlibrary.org)

## **DIRECTING YOUR GIFT**

Gifts can be made to the following Scarborough Public Library funds:

### **ANNUAL FUND**

Gifts to the Annual Fund support ongoing library services such as our ever-popular children's programming, outreach to pre-schools and literacy support to the school district, programming on contemporary issues in our community and the world, special services for area seniors (such as large-print books and delivery for shut-ins), and an expansive collection of DVDs, CDs, audio books, and the Library's eBook Cloud Library. Gifts to the Annual Fund may be given at any time of the year and are unrestricted.

### **MEMORIAL / HONORARY GIFT FUND**

A gift may be made to the Scarborough Public Library to remember a special person or to celebrate a special occasion. A letter acknowledging your gift will be sent to the honoree or to the family of the person being honored. If you choose, you may also restrict your gift in support of programming or the purchase of Library materials. If unrestricted, the donation will be used at the discretion of the Library Board.

### **LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND**

Donations directed to the Centennial Endowment Fund will enable the Scarborough Public Library to build capacity for long-term planning and financial security. The Centennial Endowment is restricted. Earnings from this account are invested.