

## **Estate and Planned Giving: Leaving your Legacy**

We hope you will consider including a gift to WomenVenture in your will, trust or estate plan. Called a charitable bequest, this type of gift offers a variety of benefits:

1. **Improving lives.** WomenVenture is a leader in economic development for women. Your gift ensures we continue to support women on their path to greater economic success.
2. **Simplicity.** Just a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed. Although bequest language should be discussed with your tax and estate advisor, sample bequest language for WomenVenture is: "I devise and bequeath [written dollar amount] or [written percent amount of estate] to WomenVenture EIN: 41-1463426, to be used [for general purposes] or [for the general endowment]."
3. **Flexibility.** Because the financial gift is not issued until after your lifetime, you're able to change your mind or reconsider the amount you'd like to give at any time.
4. **Versatility.** Your bequest can be structured so as to leave a specific sum of money to WomenVenture, or a specific item, such as real estate or proceeds from an insurance policy or retirement account. Your gift may also be contingent on certain events, thus ensuring needs of loved ones are met prior to the gift being distributed to WomenVenture.

Please notify us your generous intentions, if you have named WomenVenture in your estate plans. We would like to honor you and your planned gift through membership in WomenVenture's Venture Circle.