



**ESTATE PLANNING:
SECURING A FUTURE
FOR BONOBOS**

PROTECT BONOBOBOS: TODAY & BEYOND

Generous supporters who deeply appreciate the importance of safeguarding bonobos, biodiversity, and our planet often choose to include Friends of Bonobos in their estate plans. These thoughtful contributions are essential for ensuring the long-term success of our mission. Moreover, certain deferred gifts not only offer tax benefits but may also provide income during your lifetime. Your legacy is invaluable, and we are immensely grateful for your consideration of a charitable gift to Friends of Bonobos.

FAST FACTS

Here's all the information you'll need to make a legacy gift to Friends of Bonobos:

Address:

Friends of Bonobos
P.O. Box 2652
Durham, NC 27715

Phone: +1 919 717 9572

Email: info@friendsofbonobos.org

Website: friendsofbonobos.org

EIN: 20-0347301

HOW YOU BENEFIT

- You can decide how much to give—every gift, no matter the size, makes a difference to Friends of Bonobos.
- Keep full control of your assets during your lifetime and adjust your plans anytime.
- Choose to be recognized or remain anonymous.
- Honor or remember someone special with your gift.
- Leave a lasting impact for future generations.

EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

I. GENERAL BEQUEST

This is a donation of all or part of your estate transferred to Friends of Bonobos after death by will or trust. A charitable bequest may be included in your will when your will is written or revised or through a separate document that amends your existing will.

Suggested Language: *"I hereby give, devise, and bequeath _____ percent (___%) of my total estate, determined as of the date of my death, to Friends of Bonobos, Inc., a not-for-profit organization incorporated by the laws of the State of North Carolina, having as its principal address as PO Box 2652 Durham, NC 27715 for its general charitable purposes."*



II. QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD) FROM AN IRA

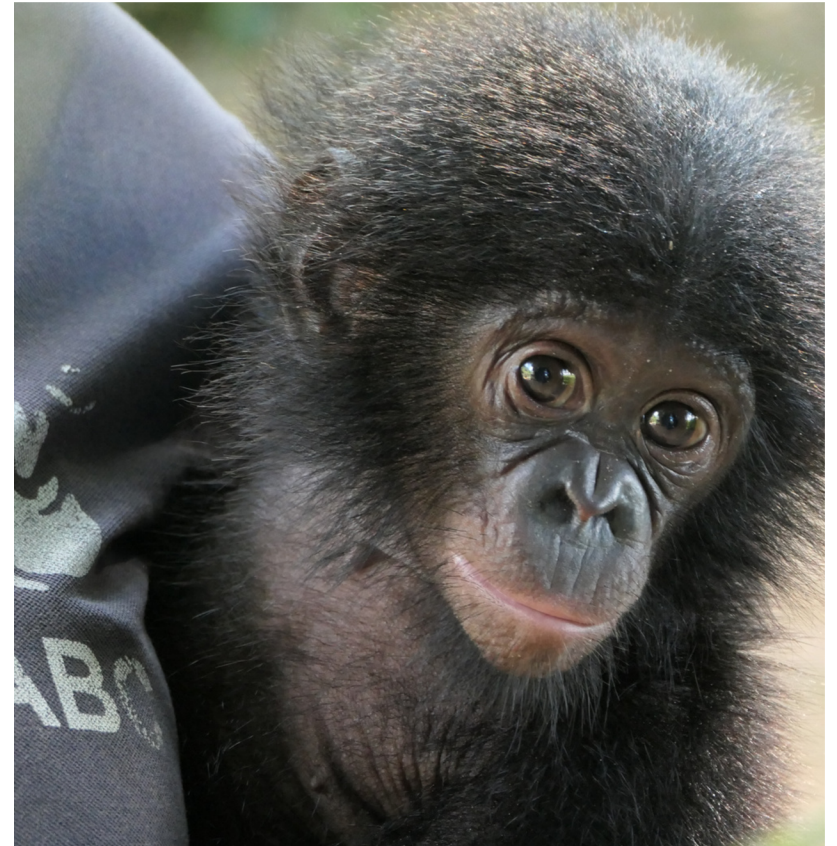
If you're 70½ or older, you can donate to Friends of Bonobos directly from your IRA.

Key Benefits of Qualified Charitable Distributions:

- **Tax-Free Distribution:** The donation is not taxable, and it counts toward your Required Minimum Distribution for the year. This helps reduce your taxable income.
- **Up to \$100,000 Per Year:** You can donate up to \$100,000 per year to charity from your IRA. If you're married and file jointly, your spouse can also give up to \$100,000, so the total can be up to \$200,000.

Steps to Make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD):

- **Contact Your IRA Custodian:** To initiate the QCD, you must go through your IRA custodian (the financial institution holding your IRA). This could be a bank, brokerage firm, or mutual fund company. Let them know you want to donate a specific amount to Friends of Bonobos directly from your IRA.
- **Direct the Donation:** Funds must be sent directly from your IRA to Friends of Bonobos. If the donation is made to you first, it will count as taxable income, which will eliminate the tax benefits.



III. GIFT OF LIFE INSURANCE

If you own a life insurance policy that is no longer needed for the protection of your family or for other purposes, you may use it to make a gift to Friends of Bonobos. The simplest way to give a life insurance policy to Friends of Bonobos is to name Friends of Bonobos as the owner and irrevocable beneficiary of the policy.

IV. GIFT OF A RETIREMENT PLAN

You can designate Friends of Bonobos as a beneficiary of your retirement plan, alongside assets allocated for loved ones. Simply reach out to your plan administrator and express your desire to allocate all or a portion of the remaining benefits from your retirement plan to Friends of Bonobos. By doing so, these assets will be excluded from your taxable estate.



V. BONOBO ENDOWMENT

Your generosity today can create a legacy of change for tomorrow. By contributing to the FOB endowment, you're not just making a donation—you're making an enduring investment in our mission. Endowment funds are designed to provide ongoing financial support.

With an endowment fund, the principal remains intact, and only the interest or investment income is used to support our programs and initiatives. This ensures that your gift has a lasting effect, helping sustain our work for generations to come.

WHY GIVE TO OUR ENDOWMENT?

- Sustainability: Your contribution provides a steady, reliable source of funding for Friends of Bonobos. Moreover, endowment funds grow over time through careful investment. Contributions made today help support larger future initiatives!
- Impact: It helps us expand our reach and create long-term solutions.
- Legacy: Your gift becomes a permanent part of our story, enabling transformative change year after year.



Let us know about your gift!

If you leave a legacy gift to Friends of Bonobos, please contact **Amanda Kutner** at amanda.kutner@bonobos.org. We would love to say thank you and to ensure that your wishes are carried out. Plus, your gift can inspire others!

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If you are interested in exploring any of these giving options, please reach out to our Director of Philanthropy Amanda Kutner at amanda.kutner@friendsofbonobos.org



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