

1. What is The Heritage Club?

The Heritage Club is a National Individual Giving Society of donors from Boys & Girls Clubs from across the Movement who have included their local Boys & Girls Clubs in their estate plans. Support through a planned gift will ensure that future generations of kids across America will have the opportunity to live successful lives in a safe, positive and caring environment.

2. What gifts qualify?

Donors qualify for membership in The Heritage Club by making deferred gifts through a will, charitable gift annuity, a trust arrangement, a real estate gift or a life insurance policy.

3. How do I identify and enroll my donors into The Heritage Club?

Start by reviewing your donor records to determine donors who would qualify. Set up a meeting with them and thank them again for their past support. Tell them about The Heritage Club and get their permission to recognize them in the society and ask whether or not they would like to be recognized publicly or privately.

4. What recognition do they receive from BGCA?

There are several opportunities to recognize local Heritage Club members.

- Clubs can order complimentary Heritage Club membership lapel pins from the BGCA e-store. Once you recognize a donor for a planned gift, they are included in the society for life.
- Clubs can also download a recognition certificate signed by BGCA's CEO Jim Clark from BGCA.net to customize and present to the donor with the pin in a local recognition ceremony.
- Clubs can submit Heritage Club members via BGCA's online BGCA.net portal to be included in the *National Individual Giving Societies Annual Report* which is published and distributed online and can be used for stewardship purposes.
- Members submitted via the portal can also be invited to an annual Recognition Reception hosted at BGCA's Annual National Conference.

5. What does it cost?

There is no cost for Clubs to participate. You can order recognition pins on the BGCA e-store at no cost and create recognition certificates locally to present to donors with the pins.

6. Will BGCA be contacting my donors?

No, any member names submitted via the online portal are utilized for inclusion in the Annual Report and to receive an invitation to a national event reception, which will be made via the Club. BGCA will not solicit Heritage Club members unless they are already donors to BGCA.

7. How many members can I submit per year for my Club?

There is no limit on the number of members that a Club may submit or recognize each year.

For assistance with your Club's specific estate planning or legacy giving needs and opportunities contact your region's RD Club Consultant.