For over 100 years, Brooklyn Public Library has provided free education and inspiration for generations of Brooklynites.

With open doors, BPL welcomes all who seek to improve their lives—and it has been a part of your life, helping your community grow and thrive, providing a place for discovery and learning, and inspiring a love of reading for you and your family.

The Library’s 60 neighborhood branches are safe havens where diverse communities gather together to share experiences, enlightenment and hope. They embody our mission to provide everyone with the opportunity to discover their full potential with books, literacy support programs, job search assistance, free access to the latest technology and world-class cultural programs that 2.6 million Brooklynites depend on.

Your planned gift ensures that the important work of the Library continues for generations to come.

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Give the Gift of Discovery & Learning

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Ways to Give

A Gift in Your Will
Remembering BPL in your will or trust ensures your legacy while providing for the Library’s future. If you wish to include Brooklyn Public Library, you and your attorney may find the following codicil language helpful:

I give and bequeath the sum of $_____ (or a portion/residue of my estate) to Brooklyn Public Library, of 10 Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11238, to be used in support of its general charitable purposes.

Retirement Assets & Accounts
Gifts of assets from qualified plans such as 401(k), 403(b), IRA, Keogh or pensions provide another way for you to support BPL while fulfilling your financial and philanthropic goals. The basic information you need to include BPL as a beneficiary of retirement plans, life insurance, bank and investments accounts is:

Brooklyn Public Library
10 Grand Army Plaza
Brooklyn, NY 11238
Tax identification number: 11-1904261

Ingersoll Circle
When you include Brooklyn Public Library in your estate plan, you become a member of the Ingersoll Circle, a community of patrons who are helping to ensure that the Library’s good work will continue well into the future. Ingersoll Circle members enjoy invitations to special events throughout the year, opportunities to go behind the scenes at BPL, personal access to BPL staff and recognition in our annual report.

To learn more about naming Brooklyn Public Library as a beneficiary in your estate plan or to arrange a confidential conversation with staff, please contact us at 718.230.2009 or givinginfo@bklynlibrary.org.

Thank you for supporting Brooklyn Public Library!

I remember the excitement of getting my first library card at the DeKalb branch when I was five. Seventy years later, I am thrilled each time I see Central Library’s reading room filled with students. I know the library is providing the environment and resources for them to become successful adults. My legacy gift is my way of acknowledging the role Brooklyn Public Library played in my life and supporting its essential role in the Brooklyn community.

Paula Silver
Member of the Ingersoll Circle