



BOYCE THOMPSON
ARBORETUM

Desert Willow
Legacy Society



Together, we can preserve the beauty of our Arboretum

Welcome to Boyce Thompson Arboretum's Desert Willow Legacy Society. We invite you to embark on a journey that goes beyond a single lifetime - a journey dedicated to preserving the beauty, diversity, and ecological importance of our Arboretum for generations to come. **By becoming a member of our Desert Willow Legacy Society, you can leave a lasting legacy** that will contribute to the conservation of nature and the enrichment of the community

Membership Benefits

As a member of Boyce Thompson Arboretum's Desert Willow Legacy Society, you'll enjoy an array of exclusive benefits.

Legacy and Impact: Your commitment will be recognized as a vital part of the Arboretum's history, ensuring your legacy endures through generations.

Invitations: Enjoy special invitations to private events and expert-led guided tours to deepen your connection to the Arboretum's collection.

Recognition: Receive acknowledgment on our website, plaques, and publications, highlighting your significant contribution to the Arboretum's mission.

Networking: Connect with like-minded individuals who share a passion for nature, conservation, and philanthropy.

Updates: Stay informed through exclusive updates about the Arboretum's projects, research, and developments, gaining an insider's perspective on our work.



“ We were introduced to the Arboretum in 1995 and immediately fell in love with the place, people and plants.

Over the years we've come to know, respect and appreciate the people who manage and run the organization. We've learned of their 100 year history, mission and exciting vision for growth over the next 100 years. In 2020, wanting to do our part to help BTA prosper and knowing they will be trusted perpetual stewards of our gift, we decided to update our will and include the Arboretum as a beneficiary. ”

-JOE AND GAIL GIACOBAZZI
Desert Willow Legacy Society Members



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Your commitment to Boyce Thompson Arboretum’s Desert Willow Legacy Society will create a lasting impact. By preserving the Arboretum, **you are ensuring that future generations will have a place to learn, explore, and connect with nature.** Together, we are sowing the seeds for a greener, more vibrant Arboretum.

Planned Giving Options:

Your support can be tailored to your financial goals and philanthropic aspirations. There are various ways to contribute:

Bequests: Designate a specific amount or percentage of your estate to the Arboretum in your will, leaving a legacy that showcases your commitment to nature.

Gifts of Stock: Donate appreciated securities and potentially receive tax benefits while supporting the Arboretum's mission.

Charitable Gift Annuities: Establish an annuity that provides you with a steady income stream while benefiting the Arboretum in the future.

Life Insurance Policies: Name the Arboretum as a beneficiary of your life insurance policy, allowing you to make a substantial future gift.

IRA Charitable Rollover: Make tax-free distributions from your IRA to support the Arboretum's initiatives.



Contact us today!

Find out today how your investment can make a difference. Please contact Allison Lester at Allison.Lester@btarboretum.org or 520-689-4588. Thank you for your consideration!

The mission of Boyce Thompson Arboretum is to inspire appreciation and stewardship of desert plants, wildlife, and ecosystems through education, research and conservation.



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DESERT WILLOW LEGACY SOCIETY COMMITMENT FORM

By completing this commitment form, you signify your intention to name Boyce Thompson Arboretum as a beneficiary of your estate and your wish to become a member of the Desert Willow Legacy Society, which honors those who have made or planned legacy gifts. By signing below, you commit to make this gift as outlined. Details and monetary value of deferred gifts change over time; if possible, please inform BTA's Development staff of substantive changes. We are deeply grateful for your vision and generosity.

I/We _____

Currently Residing at _____

have named Boyce Thompson Arboretum as a:

- Primary Beneficiary
- Secondary Beneficiary
- Contingent Beneficiary

Through a: **(Check all that apply)**

- Last Will and Testament
- Retirement Account Designation
- Revocable Trust (Living Trust)
- Charitable Remainder Trust
- Life Insurance
- Life Insurance Beneficiary
- Donor Advised Charitable Legacy Fund
- Other (please specify) _____

I/We estimate that the current value of my gift to Boyce Thompson Arboretum through my estate is
\$ _____

This gift is:

- for a specific amount
- a _____ percentage of the remainder

If/when this gift is received by Boyce Thompson Arboretum, it is my/our wish that the organization use the gift for the following purpose:

- Areas of Greatest Need
- Other _____



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Boyce Thompson Arboretum has a fiduciary responsibility to assure that our assets are used efficiently and effectively. For additional information regarding our gift acceptance policies and guidelines, click [here](#) or visit btarboretum.org.

- I/we understand that should it ever become impossible or impractical to use the gift for the purpose specified in this agreement, Boyce Thompson Arboretum, in its discretion, may redirect this gift to support the program, service or area most similar to the original intentions specified above.

The professional contact person for this gift is:

Name, Title _____

Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

To facilitate our ability to honor the intentions set forth above, we would greatly appreciate a copy of your Will or Trust (or appropriate sections thereof) for safekeeping in our secure, confidential files.

- A copy of my/our document is enclosed
- I/we understand that should it ever become impossible or impractical to use the gift for the purpose specified in this agreement, Boyce Thompson Arboretum, in its discretion, may redirect this gift to support the program, service or area most similar to the original intentions specified above.

I understand that my commitment to leave Boyce Thompson Arboretum a legacy gift through my estate entitles me to membership in the Desert Willow Society, special recognition events and listing in publications.

- Yes, Boyce Thompson Arboretum may publish my name as a member of the Desert Willow Legacy Society.
- I am pleased to become a member of the Desert Willow Legacy Society, but I wish to remain anonymous and request that my name not be published in connection with my bequest intention.

Signature Printed Name Date

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