

Protect. Educate.
Inspire.

45/82 Society

J.N. "DING" DARLING
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Continue Your Impact

The 45/82 Society signifies the year of the Refuge's establishment in 1945 and the year of the Society's founding in 1982. Help shape the future of the Refuge by designating the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society as a beneficiary in your estate plans.

A combination of large and small planned gifts received throughout the years has enabled the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society to continue its support of the Refuge in areas of land acquisition, education, research, and other important conservation efforts. Supporting these efforts through your estate is easier than you might think.

Charitable Bequests

While there are many ways to plan for the future of your assets, charitable bequests are one of the easiest ways you can leave a lasting impact on the Refuge. A bequest gift may be made in your will or trust directing a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or a piece of property to the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society. All charitable bequests to our organization are deducted in full from the value of your estate in the calculation of estate taxes, which can significantly lessen the burden of estate taxes on your family.

The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society uses charitable gifts to support conservation and education priorities at the time the gift is realized unless otherwise specified by the donor. If you would like your gift to be used to support a specific program, please contact us to ensure your wishes will be met.



The Future of 'Ding'

The J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge acts as an incubator for so many different young beings. From the nearly featherless Green Heron chicks excited to explore a new world, to the 5,000 students who are bused here each year to learn about our environment, the small and impressionable find a special place to grow at "Ding." It needs to stay protected, and you can help that.

Together, through planned giving, we can continue the education and conservation efforts at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

Sample Language for Your Plan

If you wish to name the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society in your estate plans or name us as a beneficiary of your retirement accounts or life insurance, please name us as follows:

"I, [name], of [city, state, ZIP] give, devise, and bequeath to the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, Inc., a Florida non-profit corporation located on Sanibel Island, Florida [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property]." Our tax identification number is: 59-2240895

Thank You for Your Commitment to Conservation

For more information on how to leave a lasting gift for conservation, please contact Executive Director Ann Marie at 239-789-8991.



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