

Rossbrook House Foundation



Tom Dooley believes planned or legacy gifts to charities generate their own rewards.

"A legacy gift is a way of confirming to yourself, your family, and your friends what you have discovered to be important and meaningful during your lifetime," Tom said.

Tom selected four local charities to receive legacy gifts in his will, each contributing to a different aspect of the Winnipeg community. **One of those charities is Rossbrook House Foundation.**

"All children deserve the opportunities we want for our own children," Tom shared. "Our world does not necessarily provide equal opportunities to all. Fortunately, Rossbrook House is there to provide a much-needed support service to children and families living in the Centennial neighbourhood. By providing a safe and nurturing environment for children and youth, Rossbrook House gives me an opportunity to help balance some of the inequities in our society."

Tom first became involved in Rossbrook House in 2005 when he was asked to help set up a separate foundation to raise funds and help provide sustainable funding to support the programs and activities of Rossbrook House. After the initial legal and organizational work was completed, he continued as a volunteer director on the board of the Foundation. Tom later served as Chair of the board.

"I was impressed by the programming offered at Rossbrook House, the energy and joy of the children and the sensitivity of the staff to the children," Tom said. "In my visits to Rossbrook House I saw first-hand the work being done in providing a safe place to belong, play, learn, and become..."

Tom's visits to Rossbrook House events over the years have helped him to learn more about the community, and the children and youth who are involved with Rossbrook House and its programming.

"Most of all I was moved in watching the pride of the children dancing at the annual Pow Wow, speaking at events about what Rossbrook House means to them, and celebrating their individual achievements."

Tom is a member of the Rossbrook House Legacy Circle.

"I want to do my part to help sustain the work of Rossbrook House into the future."

Tom's planning and generosity through the Rossbrook House Foundation will ensure that Rossbrook House will continue its work long into the future.

Tom added: *"I would encourage others to familiarize themselves with the work of Rossbrook House and consider doing the same."*