

Brenda and Michael Evans



When Michael and Brenda were updating their wills several years ago, they made the generous decision to include Rossbrook House in their estate plans. They chose to bequeath a portion of their estate to Rossbrook House and also signed up to be a member of the Rossbrook House Foundation Legacy Circle.

Michael and Brenda, married for 33 years, have 2 grown children. He is a retired construction and real estate developer. She is a retired, self-employed accountant and property manager.

The two of them feel that Rossbrook House provides a safe place to the children and youth who reside in Winnipeg's Centennial area.

Michael first learned of Rossbrook House in its early years when he heard that his former teacher was now involved with a drop-in centre. That teacher was (former) Co-Executive Director, Sister Lesley Sacouman. Michael is also a close friend of former Executive Director Phil Chiappetta. They share an over 50-year friendship.

While doing their estate planning, they thought about the charities that were dear to their hearts and Rossbrook house was at the top of their list.

Because of their deep connection to Rossbrook House, and their belief in the importance of sustaining Rossbrook House for years to come, they decided to include Rossbrook House in their estate plans.

“The work that Rossbrook House does is vital to the children and families it serves, and to the whole of the City of Winnipeg, and our decision to leave a legacy gift is our way of trying to ensure the long term sustainability of that valuable work”, Michael said.

Their planning and generosity will benefit the children and youth who walk through the doors of Rossbrook House, for many years to come.