



## WAYS TO GIVE

**Shelter, Inc. offers a variety of ways through which charitable donations may be made. To learn more about any of the ways to give, please call 847.255.8060 or email [shelter@shelter-inc.org](mailto:shelter@shelter-inc.org)**

**Cash Gifts** are acceptable in any form (i.e., cash, check, or debit or credit card) and in any amount. Checks should be made out to **Shelter, Inc.** and then sent to:

Shelter, Inc.  
1616 N. Arlington Heights Rd.  
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

**Tribute Gifts** are a meaningful way to support Shelter, Inc.'s services and programs while honoring or memorializing special people in your life. These gifts can be processed via our Donate option or mailed in using our downloadable Tribute Gift Donation Form. Notification of these gifts take approximately two weeks to process and send.

**Sustaining Gifts** are ongoing financial commitments with *a start but no specific end date*. Donors can generate recurring/sustaining gifts online by completing the form provided our website.

**Matched Gifts** are donations from corporations or businesses that match charitable gifts from employees (or retirees) at a specific ratio set by the employer, the most common being 1:1. All matching gifts require that the employee (or retiree) completes a matching gift form that is then provided to Shelter, Inc. to confirm the individual's gift and returned by Shelter, Inc. to the employer.

**Publicly Traded Securities (Stock)** may be donated to Shelter, Inc.. Brokers can provide donors with stock transfer instructions to initiate this type of donation.

**Planned Giving** is a contribution that is arranged in the present and allocated at a future date, commonly through a will or trust once the donor has passed away. Shelter, Inc. is dependent upon the thoughtful generosity of its members and friends whose forward-looking philanthropic contributions will ensure the continued success of the organization. These gifts enable us to honor the past, support the present, and provide for the future.

**A Bequest** or codicil in your will or trust is an easy way to make a deferred gift to Shelter, Inc.

**Life Insurance** for which all the premiums have been paid is an ideal way to make a charitable contribution as long as the life insurance policy names Shelter, Inc. as the owner *and* beneficiary.

**Retirement Plan Assets** from an employee retirement plan, IRA or tax-sheltered annuity can be left to Shelter, Inc., leaving your loved ones with less heavily taxed assets.

**An IRA** is a tax-free way to give to Shelter, Inc. Donors 70 years old or older can give up to \$100,000 from their IRAs without having to pay income taxes on the money.