The Union

Leave a legacy of health and life

International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease

United Kingdom
In memory of a life restored to health

In 1952, Mme Suzanne Horvais of France was desperate to help her husband Jean-Pierre, who was near death from TB contracted during the war in a German camp. She wrote to The Union to find out what they could do to save his life and received a quick and thoughtful reply, including a list of the sanatoria in France. Mme Horvais took her husband to a sanatorium, where he recovered, and they went on to live a full and happy life for the next 51 years. Upon her death in 2011, Mme Horvais bequeathed her entire fortune to The Union in memory of her husband out of gratitude for its life-saving expertise and advice.

Your legacy will save lives by providing support to The Union’s programmes serving people from low- and middle-income countries affected by tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, asthma, childhood pneumonia, non-communicable diseases and tobacco-related illnesses.

Why make a gift to The Union?

In honoured of those who have shared your commitment to public health
One way to honour your own career and commitment to public health is to make a gift that will benefit those who share the same purpose. Your legacy will work on your behalf to bring innovation, expertise, solutions and support to address health challenges in low- and middle-income populations.

In recognition of a century of innovation and service
Through your legacy, you can foster the continuing work of an organisation that has served since 1920 as the linchpin for efforts to address some of the world’s most challenging public health problems – from tuberculosis (once known as “the White Plague”) to today’s leading killers HIV/AIDS, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and tobacco use. Today The Union serves 75 countries each year and has a network of members in 150 countries.

Leave a legacy of health and life: Make a gift to The Union through your estate planning, you create a legacy of health and life for some of the most disadvantaged people in the world: the poor and the ill.

Thank you for supporting The Union’s vision: health solutions for the poor.

In remembrance of someone who was affected by lung disease
A bequest to The Union is a meaningful way to remember a loved one who had tuberculosis or pneumonia, who suffered from asthma, who tried repeatedly to quit smoking, who faced lung cancer, or whose life was reduced to a daily struggle for breath by chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Supporting research on behalf of sick parishioners
Maurice Oliver Nunn of the UK was a Londoner, a bachelor, who worked for the Bank of England most of his life, following war service in the King’s African Rifles. He retired to the North Devon coast to be near family members, and there became very active in the church. He spent much of his later years visiting

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What will be the impact of your contribution?

Your legacy will provide restricted or unrestricted funds supporting The Union’s work. You may ask that your gift be used in a specific region (Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North America or South-East Asia) or to address a particular public health issue that falls within The Union's scope of work. Activities of The Union that your gift can help to fund include:

- Building capacity for strong sustainable public health programmes
- Ensuring access to quality-assured essential medicines
- Supporting effective laboratory and other diagnostic services
- Providing technical and management training
- Strengthening health systems, practices and policies
- Conducting operational and clinical research
- Developing and disseminating new resources, including technical guides

Ways to give to The Union through legacies

In collaboration with your solicitor, you can make a provision for The Union in your will. The three most common types of legacies are residuary, pecuniary, and specific.

**Residuary legacy**: With this type of gift, you choose to leave The Union a percentage of your estate after all the other legacies have been distributed and debts cleared. One advantage of a residuary legacy is that it is inflation-proof, and you are less likely to need to update your will as time passes.

**Pecuniary legacy**: This is a gift of a specific sum of money.

**Specific legacy**: This type of gift bequeaths a particular item or items, such as books, paintings, antiques, or jewelry.

All bequests from donors residing in the United Kingdom (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales) should be designated to the “International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease–United Kingdom” and reference our registered UK charity number: SC039880. The registered address is:

- The Union Europe Office
- 8 Randolph Crescent
- EH3 7TH Edinburgh
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If you have questions

The Union's Development Office welcomes your questions and would be happy to discuss your ideas regarding a legacy or other gift.

Please write to donsetlegs@theunion.org

LEGACIES TO CHARITIES ARE GENERALLY EXEMPT FROM INHERITANCE TAX

A legacy to The Union could reduce the amount of inheritance tax, if any, due to be paid on your estate. More detailed information on inheritance tax and charitable legacies is on the HMRC website (www.hmrc.gov.uk). You should also seek professional tax advice before making your will.
Other ways to support The Union

The Union is a registered charity in the United Kingdom: SC039880

- Online gifts in any amount may be made through our website at www.theunion.org.

- **Benefactor Members** are individual Union members who choose to make a contribution beyond the basic membership fee. Please go to www.theunion.org “Membership” for details.

Join The Union

Members of The Union are part of a distinguished international network influencing public health and leading to health solutions for the poor. Any interested individual may join The Union; and organisations that share The Union’s goals may apply to become constituent or organisational members. Both benefit from access to a variety of professional opportunities and resources.

For details, please visit www.theunion.org

The mission of the International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union) is to bring innovation, expertise, solutions and support to address health challenges in low- and middle-income populations. With nearly 10,000 members and subscribers from 150 countries, The Union has its headquarters in Paris and offices serving the Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North America and South-East Asia regions. Its scientific departments focus on tuberculosis and HIV, lung health and non-communicable diseases, tobacco control and research. Learn more at www.theunion.org

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