

## The Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter Society

We recognize those who include the Lake Oswego Public Library in their estate plans by offering to them membership in the newly created Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter Society. Membership in the society is extended to those who support the Lake Oswego Public Library and sustain it into the future.

### To Become a Member

To become a member of the Minter Society simply name the Lake Oswego Public library in your will, trust, retirement assets, or insurance policies. When you inform us of your gift, we will respect your wishes for recognition or anonymity. All details of your gift will be held in strictest confidence. The society is an honorary organization with lifetime benefits that include the following:

- Invitations and reserved seats at First Tuesday Music programs and Third Tuesday Author programs
- Listing in the Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter Society Honor Roll of Donors, with your permission, in the lobby of the Library and on the Library's website

Thank you for considering a gift that will extend beyond your lifetime and support the future of the Lake Oswego Public Library.

Public libraries play a critical role in our civilized world. There are few places left in society where everyone can freely immerse themselves in the richness of culture, or access a seemingly infinite world of information. The Lake Oswego Public Library is the heart of our community and a primary indicator of our town's high quality of life.

Your generosity makes a valuable contribution to the continued excellence of the Lake Oswego Public Library for generations of residents of all ages. **A gift to the Library is a gift to the whole community.**



## A Thoughtful Gift To Shape the Future

## Planned Giving and the Lake Oswego Public Library



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## Generosity Beyond Your Lifetime

### Become a part of the Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter Society

By establishing a bequest in your will, living trust, or retirement assets to the Lake Oswego Public Library, you create a planned gift that will support the Library and benefit generations of library users.

### Ways to Give

A review of your assets will identify the best way to make a planned gift. Donors often find that planned gifts enable them to use assets to support the Library that might otherwise be lost to estate, income or capital gains taxation.

Thoughtfully planned, any of the following gifts may provide important personal benefits while providing a future gift to the Library.

- A **bequest** is a flexible way to establish a legacy that may be changed at any time.
- A gift of **retirement assets**, such as pension plans or IRAs, may allow you to give more than you thought possible while reducing taxes that may otherwise consume these assets.
- Gifts of **life insurance policies** you may no longer need may help the Library.

Always seek the counsel of professional advisors on the best estate plan for your individual situation.



### Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter

The Minters moved to Lake Oswego from Santa Cruz, California, in 1989. Gordon managed a television station, produced commercials, and taught drama until his death in 1994. Ellouise wrote, taught and volunteered wherever she could. She served on the board of the Friends of the Library and taught a class called “Reading to Share” at the Adult Community Center which is still in existence. Ellouise was an avid reader and Library patron until she passed away at the age of 98.

The Minters’ bequest of over \$1.3 million to the Lake Oswego Public Library’s Endowment Fund in 2006 came as a surprise. Ellouise’s wish was that the Library would continue to enhance the lives of others. We dedicate this Society in honor of Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter’s generous and invaluable legacy to the Lake Oswego Public Library.

I have included the Lake Oswego Public Library in my estate plan through:

- my will
- an insurance policy
- a trust arrangement
- retirement plan assets
- other (indicate below)

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- If you would like your name to appear on the Ellouise & E. Gordon Minter Society list of members, please fill in the information below. Your spouse can be included as well. Gift amounts will not be listed publicly.
- I wish to remain anonymous. Do not publish my name publicly as a member of the Ellouise and E. Gordon Minter Society.
- I wish to be contacted. It’s best to call me \_\_\_ Morning \_\_\_ Afternoon \_\_\_ Evening

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return this form to:

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