

The Zamir Legacy Society

How to Become a Legacy Society Member?

Simply submit a Letter of Intent informing us of your plans to include Zamir in your bequest. The Letter is non-binding and does not constitute a legal promise of any future donation to Zamir.

Membership Benefits

Legacy Society Members receive special recognition at Zamir concerts and special events, including the annual North American Jewish Choral Festival and are acknowledged in programs and other materials.

The most important benefit is knowing that you are ensuring Zamir will continue to grow and raise our voices to unify our community, invigorate our shared traditions and strengthen our bond to Israel.

What is a Planned Gift?

A charitable gift that you decide to make as part of your estate plans. In addition to benefiting Zamir, a planned gift can benefit you and your loved ones. It stands as a lasting reminder of the values that are most important to you.

What Can My Bequest Fund?

You can designate how your gift is to be used: to provide unrestricted funds to help Zamir now and in the future, or to support identified programs or initiatives that are of particular interest to you and your family. It's up to you.

Types of Gifts

Planned giving offers various giving vehicles. If you give during your lifetime, you may receive charitable income tax deductions.

- *Will or Living Trust. Give to Zamir without affecting your cash flow during your lifetime.*
- *Retirement Plans. Your plan may be worth more when donated to Zamir than to your heirs.*
- *Life Insurance. Make a significant gift to Zamir without dipping into your capital assets.*
- *Appreciated Securities. The IRS allows you one of its most valuable tax breaks for gifts of appreciated securities.*

- *Real Estate. Make a generous gift through residential, commercial, or undeveloped real estate.*

Please consult your legal and tax advisors to determine applicability for your personal, legal, and financial needs.

Letter of Intent

To inform us of your plans and become a Member of Zamir's Legacy Society, please sign and return this **Letter of Intent** to Jeff Nadler, Director of Development at 212-837-3330 or alieber@zamirchoralfoundation.org.

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Estate Plan

If you already have a will or trust, there is no need to rewrite your documents to make a bequest. Consult your attorney. Generally you must simply add a codicil or amendment that declares your intentions. Sample language follows.

General Bequest:

I give and bequeath the sum of \$_____ (or _____% of my residuary estate) to The Zamir Choral Foundation, a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization, whose principal offices are currently at 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1948, New York, NY 10115(Federal ID# 13-6217087), to be used in support of its general purposes.

Bequest Benefiting a Specific Program:

I give and bequeath the sum of \$_____ (or _____% of my residuary estate) to Zamir, a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization, whose principal offices are currently at 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1948, New York, NY 10115 (Federal ID # 13-6217087), to be used in support of _____ (for example: HaZamir, North American Jewish Choral Festival, Zamir Chorale, Zamir Noded, HaZamir Israel, Commissioning new works, etc.).