Planned Giving FAQ’s – Class of 1996

Brown needs your planned gift.

- One in every five dollars raised during the Campaign for Academic Enrichment was a planned gift
- In the last ten years, Brown received about $35 million annually from planned gifts
- The value of known planned gifts (the “planned giving pipeline”) is $360 million
- We must keep the pipeline growing for Brown’s future

Where can I get information about making a planned gift to Brown?

Visit plannedgiving.brown.edu or ask for a copy of “Invest in Brown,” a publication of the Office of Planned Giving that contains descriptions of most of the options for planned giving. To get answers to your questions or for information tailored specifically to your situation, contact the Office of Planned Giving by phone at 401-863-9119 or by email to: planned_giving@brown.edu. One of our planned giving officers will be happy to contact you.

How can I help Brown with a planned gift?

The easiest way to make a planned gift to Brown is to designate Brown to receive a portion of your retirement benefits. You can also make a gift through life insurance. Your attorney can assist you with a bequest through a will or trust.

Can I make a gift that pays an income to me?

Yes. There are several options that give you either variable income payments based on investment returns or fixed income payments, as you choose.
Can I invest in Brown’s endowment and receive an income from it?

Yes. Those who are able to make a commitment of at least $100,000 can have that gift invested in Brown’s endowment. The dollar amount payable to you will depend upon the investment returns of the endowment.

Are there ways that a planned gift can help me with my financial planning?

Yes, indeed. Some planned gifts can help you supplement your retirement income. Others can facilitate the tax-free transfer of assets to your children.

Will my planned gift count toward our comprehensive class gift?

Yes.