



Franciscan Circle Legacy Society

The Franciscan Circle Legacy Society honors alumni and friends who have notified Viterbo University that they will support the university through a planned, or deferred, gift. Legacy gifts contribute to the growth and success of Viterbo University, and will assist future generations of students and faculty.

What are the benefits of membership?

The Franciscan Circle Legacy Society members receive:

1. Regular communication from the university to keep members updated including a bi-annual newsletter from our President updating you on the state of the university.
2. End of the year brochure highlighting the impact our supporters have on our students helping them achieve their career goals.
3. An aerial photo of campus with an inscription indicating membership in the Franciscan Circle Legacy Society.
4. An Invitation to events on campus like the Festival of Lights and Carols or two tickets to a Fine Arts performance or an athletic event

Member stories may be featured occasionally in our Alumni magazine - *Strides*, our Alumni eNewsletter and on the planned giving website. This is optional and members can always choose to remain anonymous.

Why should I become a member?

Legacy gifts are essential to Viterbo University as we maintain a strong endowment and a solid, long-term stream of support. This will help Viterbo University to maintain and enhance our mission of preparing students to be faithful servants and ethical leaders who think critically, act wisely and work skillfully to advance the common good.

When you include Viterbo University in your estate plans, you make a lasting investment in the future of the university. You might enjoy significant tax savings, too! With a future gift through your estate or an immediate gift that returns income to you or a family member, you will be offered the opportunity to become recognized as a member of the Franciscan Circle Legacy Society.

How can I become a member?

To become a member of the society, contact Eric Schmidt, Director of Major and Planned Gifts at 608-796-3078 or at eschmidt@viterbo.edu. He will work with you to document your intention so that our records accurately reflect your support.

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