

# Choosing an Executor

An executor is who you choose to carry out the instructions in your will. In Manitoba, an executor must be at least 18 years old to perform the duties. This person is a legal representative who will be responsible for the administration of your estate. People may choose trusted family members or a close friend.

Alternatively, engaging a professional executor is another option. They are a neutral and regulated institution who takes on the responsibility of administering your will, estate, or trust.

The Winnipeg Foundation's Gift Acceptance Policy does not allow us to act as an executor or trustee. We would be pleased to work with you to document how a future gift will be used. We recommend you appoint a qualified and capable organization or individual to administer your estate or serve as a trustee.

## You can find more information and resources from the following:

### **Seniors and Healthy Aging Secretariat Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living**

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Winnipeg, Manitoba

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Phone: 204.945.6565

Toll Free: 1.800.665.6565

Email: [seniors@gov.mb.ca](mailto:seniors@gov.mb.ca)

Website: [www.gov.mb.ca/shas](http://www.gov.mb.ca/shas)

### **Community Legal Education Association**

301-441 Main Street,

Winnipeg, Manitoba

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Phone: 204.943.2382

Email: [community@communitylegal.mb.ca](mailto:community@communitylegal.mb.ca)

Website: [Wills & Estates – Community Legal Education Association](http://Wills & Estates – Community Legal Education Association)

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