

A Premier Center for Natural Science  
Education in New York City



Since 1972, APEC has been a living-learning center for tens of thousands of children and adults.

Our backdrop is 635 acres of largely undeveloped parkland in New York City. Over **300 species of birds and other wildlife** make their home

in the park's **hilly glacial topography**, where they can find one of our city's few precious remnants of **old growth woodlands**, or the **vast wetlands** adjoining Little Neck Bay.



Over 60,000 Visitors Come to APEC  
Each Year, From All Corners of  
New York City and Long Island

Our professional educators reach thousands of **area families and community groups** each year with innovative, hands-on programs in the environmental sciences. Children and families make APEC the destination of choice for weekend, afterschool, and mid-day **courses, clubs, seasonal events and casual walks on our trail.**

**Adult interest groups and classes** of birders, Community Supported Agriculture members, fish hobbyists, astronomy enthusiasts, painters, photographers, and hikers all find a place at APEC.

APEC is renowned for its **elementary and middle school enrichment programs.** On average, six classes visit APEC each school day, and our staff visits over 50 classes in schools each month—that's nearly 60,000 school-aged children and their teachers and 5,000 accompanying parents who are learning natural sciences and environmental stewardship at APEC every year. We maintain wait lists of teachers who cannot be accommodated because of space limits. Annually, the wait list is more than 10,000 children.



**Alley Pond Environmental Center** (APEC), a nonprofit environmental education organization, is dedicated to educating children and adults in the New York metropolitan area, protecting and preserving Alley Pond Park, open spaces and waterbodies, and advocating for sustainable environmental policies and practices.



**ALLEY POND  
ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**



*A Lasting Legacy:*  
Planned Giving for  
Alley Pond  
Environmental Center



Ensuring the Future

**Show your care and help  
Alley Pond Environmental Center  
guide New York toward a more  
sustainable future!**

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## Why a Legacy Gift?

Legacy donations will help guarantee the future of Alley Pond Environmental Center and may provide advantages for the donor as well.

- You can provide a living legacy for a cause dear to you.
- You can make a gift that will not affect your current cash flow and may be significantly larger than possible during your lifetime.
- You and/or your heirs may gain certain tax advantages.
- You will help to insure that Alley Pond Environmental Center continues to be a thriving, vital community resource far into the future.
- You may perpetuate your name(s) or those of dear ones through a designated legacy gift.

# Creating a

There are several ways to create a legacy gift:

- Make a bequest to APEC in your will or trust, which may specify a dollar sum, or a percentage of the estate. This cannot include property such as land, buildings, boats, etc.
- Designate Alley Pond Environmental Center as a beneficiary of life insurance policies payable-on-death accounts, or a cash portion of your Required Minimum IRA distribution.



A Lasting Legacy is Alley Pond Environmental Center's way to honor and thank you now for gifts to be received in the future.

If you would like to discuss a legacy gift with us confidentially, please contact Executive Director, Irene V. Scheid, at 718-229-4000 ext. 209 or email us [info@alleypond.com](mailto:info@alleypond.com) or [ischeid@alleypond.com](mailto:ischeid@alleypond.com)



If you are considering a legacy gift, we strongly advise you to consult your financial and legal advisors. If you are over 70 1/2 and wish to donate cash, please consult with your tax advisor on the benefit of contributing directly from your qualified retirement plan. Alley Pond Environmental Center cannot provide tax or legal advice.

To be listed in our Annual Report as a Lasting Legacy donor, please notify Executive Director, Irene V. Scheid.



- Yes I want to leave a lasting legacy to Alley Pond Environmental Center to promote environmental education for all!



- I have already included a monetary gift to APEC in my will or estate plan.
- I have already included a monetary gift to APEC in my will or estate plan but wish to remain anonymous.
- I am actively considering including a monetary gift to APEC in my will or estate plan.
- I have named APEC as a beneficiary to contingent beneficiary in my Life Insurance Policy.



**Please note that APEC does NOT share our mailing list with anyone!**

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