The experience through the pandemic has been painful. Steady income from an endowment fund, common in most successful non-profits, is sorely lacking at MIP. To improve this situation for the long term, we will be regularly communicating an invitation to participate in the sustainment of MIP, by planning now to make a substantial contribution to the MIP endowment fund through your trust or will.

MIP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Therefore, gifts to MIP are almost always tax-deductible. Transfer of IRA account assets directly to MIP is a tax-free transaction, a feature especially valuable for donors facing age 70 1/2 mandatory withdrawals.

Substantial gifts may bring lasting recognition to your legacy. Investment in the endowment fund will bring regular income to the museum to support the museum’s educational and service activities.

We are embarking on a program to raise awareness about the options available to members and friends to benefit the Museum of Indigenous People (MIP) in the long term, by planning a gift funded by your trust, will, life insurance, or investments. Initially, we are focusing on growing our endowment fund substantially to provide regular income to MIP into the future. Most of the income required to maintain MIP comes from grants, events, dues, and sales.

We invite you to consider including a legacy gift to the MIP in your estate planning. For further information about how you might arrange such a gift, contact Ron Robinson, Director of Planned Giving, through the museum.