Naming your beneficiaries and putting essential documents in place puts you in control and can make a difference for the people and causes you care about.

**Did you know?**
The beneficiary designation on your account takes priority over your will.

**Updating your beneficiary information is quick and easy to do**
The good news is that it's easy to designate, change or confirm your beneficiaries.

- Go to [TIAA.org](http://TIAA.org) to register and/or log in to your account.
  - Note: You’ll need a user ID and valid email address to sign up.
- Once logged in, under the *Action* tab, choose *Add/edit beneficiaries*.
- From there, you can designate beneficiaries and select how much each should receive.

If you have questions or need assistance, visit [TIAA.org/public/offer/services/beneficiary-resource-center](http://TIAA.org/public/offer/services/beneficiary-resource-center) or call us at **800-842-2252**. For your protection, we cannot change your beneficiary information over the phone.

Remember, you can change your beneficiary information again at any time.

**Note for married participants**
Under the Wesleyan University retirement program, your spouse is entitled to receive at least 50% of your remaining account balance(s) at the time of your death. If you would like to designate less than 50% to your spouse, you and your spouse will need to complete a spousal waiver form for each affected contract. If such spousal consent is not executed, your spouse will be entitled to receive at least 50% of your remaining account balance(s) at the time of your death, regardless of your beneficiary designation. To designate a non-spouse beneficiary, call TIAA at **800-842-2252** to request a paper form, complete the form, have it notarized and return it to TIAA.

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