## Letting us know

If you do decide on a bequest, we would appreciate you letting us know. This will assist us with forward planning, and will also enable us to thank you personally and hopefully discuss with you how we might invest your future gift.

All information gathered will be treated in confidence and does not commit your bequest in any way.

### **Response form**

- I have remembered Mind in my Will for the general purpose of the organisation.
- I would like to know more about leaving a bequest to Mind.
- I am considering leaving a bequest to Mind. Please keep me up-to-date with the good work you do.



Please return this form to Mind Australia Limited via post, fax or email:

Post 86-92 Mount Street Heidelberg VIC 3084

Fax 03 9455 7999

Email imind@mindaustralia.org.au

#### Privacy statement

The personal information we collect on this form will be used to track and manage bequests and for marketing purposes. This information may be disclosed to other members of the organisation or third parties acting on our behalf, where it is required or allowed by law or where you have otherwise consented. You can access your personal information if we have retained it by calling the organisation.

 The things you do for yourself are gone when you are gone, but the things you do for others remain as your legacy. Kalu Kalu



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## Wills and Bequests



Remembering Mind in your Will is a special act of generosity and the key to giving more people the opportunity to recover and live well in the community.

# Wills and Bequests

Many of us hope we can help make the world a better place by giving to an organisation that makes a real difference in people's lives.

You may not be able to do this immediately, but by planning for the future and making a bequest in your Will you can make this hope a reality.

## Your Will is important - it's your right to choose

Regardless of your age or circumstances, it is essential to have an up-to-date Will. Your Will is a legal document that allows you to maintain control of your affairs and leaves no uncertainty about what will happen with your estate. Your Will ensures your assets are distributed to the people and organisations you care about and provides you with peace of mind that your loved ones won't have to make difficult decisions.

#### How can I include Mind in my Will?

After considering your options, you might consider leaving a bequest to support people living with mental illness and their families and other carers. Whether small or large, your bequest will help us continue our work. You can do this by nominating Mind as the beneficiary or part-beneficiary to:

- a specific amount or percentage of your Will
- property such as a house or land
- an insurance policy
- a trust fund where the interest earned is donated
- donating 'all and the rest' and or the residue of the estate.



## How should I word a bequest to Mind?

"I give to Mind Australia Limited (ABN 22 005 063 589) \*..... (a percentage or dollar amount or all) of the residue of my estate free of all duties and deductions to be used for its general purposes. The receipt of the Secretary or an authorised public officer of Mind Australia Limited for the time being is an absolute discharge to my Executor or Executors."

\*Consider leaving a percentage of your estate rather than a dollar amount. If you leave a dollar amount, the value of your bequest could be significantly eroded over time by inflation.

## How will my bequest be used?

It is the generosity of people like you that enable us to continue our research and provide essential services to improve the lives of people living with mental illness. Most people allow their bequest to be allocated by the organisation as we are best placed to identify initiatives that have the most urgent need. If you would prefer to specify how you would like your bequest to be used, please call us on 1300 286 463 to discuss further.

We recommend that you seek independent legal advice from a practicing solicitor or trust company. This ensures your Will is legally correct and your wishes will be accurately followed.

## About us

Mind is one of the country's leading community managed specialist mental health service providers. We have been supporting people dealing with the day-to-day impacts of mental illness, as well as their families, friends and carers for over 40 years.

We provide practical and motivational support that helps people to develop the skills they need to move on, thrive and improve the quality of their lives. It's an approach to mental health and wellbeing that looks at the whole person in the context of their daily life.