# **Bequest Information Guide**



## How to leave a Gift in your Will

Deaf Connect is honoured to accept Bequests from people who wish to support its mission and goals, beyond their lifetime. We highly recommend you seek independent, professional legal and tax advice when making or changing your Will.

We are grateful for any Gift once you have taken care of your family and friends first and discuss with your loved ones to ensure they support your reasons for choosing to help



Deaf, hard of hearing and Deafblind children and adults through a bequest.

Please use the name Deaf Connect (**Deaf Services Limited ABN 62 118 664 298**) in your Will if you wish to make a bequest. Deaf Connect is a registered business name and registered trademark of Deaf Services Limited.

### Information for Solicitors

When drafting a Will that includes a Gift to Deaf Connect (Deaf Services Limited ABN 62 118 664 298), please ensure the following details are included.

What are Deaf Connect's correct legal name, ABN and address?

Legal Name: Deaf Services Limited

ABN: 62 118 664 298

Street Address: MOBO Building, Level 5, 88 Tribune Street, South Brisbane QLD 4101.

Suggested wording for a Will:

I give and bequeath, to Deaf Connect (Deaf Services Limited ABN 62 118 664 29) free of all duties and taxes,

- XX% of my whole estate, or
- XX% of the residue, or
- my property at (address insert)
- my shares in (Company name)
- the sum of \$XX

for its general purposes. I declare that the official receipt of Deaf Services Limited shall be deemed proof of payment.

Further information:

Our Bequest Team are here to answer any questions you may have.

Attention: Bequest Team, Deaf Connect, PO Box 5721, West End QLD 4101.

Email Enquiries: bequest@deafconnect.org.au

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## **Types of Gifts**

There are a variety of Gifts you can nominate in your Will.

A residuary Gift. This is a Gift of the remainder ('residue') (or a proportion of the remainder) of your estate to Deaf Connect, after making provision for family and loved ones. A residuary Gift is the most effective way to leave a Gift in your Will to Deaf Connect (Deaf Services Limited).

A specific Gift. You can leave specific items of value such a fixed sum of money or real estate or shares.

A whole of estate. You can choose to leave your entire estate to Deaf Connect.

A Percentage Gift. You can leave a nominated percentage (1-100%) of your entire estate.

Unrestricted bequests are preferred because they provide flexibility to meet the greatest needs as they change over time.

## **Suggested wording**

**Example Wording:** 

I give and bequeath, to Deaf Connect (**Deaf Services Limited ABN 62 118 664 29**) free of all duties and taxes,

- XX% of my whole estate, or
- XX% of the residue, or
- my property at (address insert)
- my shares in (Company name)
- the sum of \$XX

for its general purposes. I declare that the official receipt of Deaf Services Limited shall be deemed proof of payment.

Once you have chosen the right type of bequest for you, speak with your solicitor to have your Will written. Please note that the above wording is a guide only and subject to your solicitor's advice.

The Organisation will accept a bequest of real estate on the understanding that it may be disposed of for cash and the proceeds used to support the intent of the bequest.

### Contact us

If you decide to leave a Gift in your will please let us know so we can thank you personally for your commitment to the future of Deaf, hard of hearing and Deafblind Australians.

Please contact us by completing the form on this page or emailing bequest@deafconnect.org.au.