

## Your Will

If you wish to make a gift to the Brain Foundation in your Will, kindly remember the following points:

1. Please make sure that you name the Brain Foundation with its Australian Business Number ABN 47 008 479 936.
2. It is highly advisable that you obtain professional legal advice regarding the preparation of your Will, to ensure that the words accurately and validly record your wishes. Your Will is your final statement.
3. If you are making a cash bequest to more than one person or organisation, it is desirable to specify a percentage or share of the cash component of the estate rather than specific sums.
4. Property and gifts such as investments or insurance policies are as welcome as cash.
5. If you are comfortable with telling us that you have included us in your Will, we would appreciate the opportunity to thank you, whilst of course respecting your right to privacy.
6. It is important to review your Will when there is a change in circumstances of your family or your assets etc.

To continue our vital research we need passionate and committed supporters and a bequest is the most important gift that the Brain Foundation can receive. The CEO of the Foundation is available to confidentially discuss your bequest on 1300 886 660.



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## Bequest Handbook



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# Introduction

Thank you for thinking of the Brain Foundation at the time when you are arranging your Will. By making a bequest to us, it allows us to have long term security to continue to fund research projects into the future. We would like to assure you that your bequest will be invested wisely and used effectively.

For over 40 years, the Brain Foundation has funded many ground breaking research projects throughout Australia. Research provides the basis for all treatment.

## Our aim is to:

- Fund on-going, crucial research into debilitating diseases such as Brain Tumours, Alzheimer's and Parkinson's Disease, Stroke, Motor Neurone Disease, Epilepsy, Paediatric Neurology, Chronic Headache and Migraine and Traumatic Brain Injuries
- Offer support to those suffering from chronic headache and migraine
- Educate the public about neurological disorders, diseases and injuries
- Support projects as determined annually by our national scientific committee, comprised of leading internationally recognised neurologists and neurosurgeons

# General Will Guidelines

Leaving a gift in your Will is a simple process and a gesture which will make a significant difference. Draft your Will in a way that ensures your wishes are met.

As many of our supporters have been touched personally by Brain Disease, it is possible to **specify** an area of research that holds significance to you or your family.

Or, you can choose to give to our '**general research**' fund. The more flexibility we have to use your gift, the better the chances for a breakthrough.

The appropriate statements for you to complete as part of your will are:

## For a residual bequest:

*"I EMPOWER my trustee(s) to convert into cash such assets as deemed necessary to facilitate the administration and distribution of my estate and on-going management of any investments which may be held in trust and to pay all just debts funeral and testamentary and administrative expenses applicable to my estate and I hereby bequeath the RESIDUE of my estate as may be real property, household and personal property of all kinds, investments and or cash to the Brain Foundation, ABN 47 008 479 936 for the general purpose of the foundation, or the specific use stated: \_\_\_\_\_"*

## For a cash bequest:

*"I give free of all death duties, estate succession or otherwise, State or Federal payable upon by reason of or in consequence of my death to the Brain Foundation, ABN 47 008 479 936, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ dollars or \_\_\_\_\_ percentage / share of the cash component of my estate for the general purpose of the Foundation, or the specific use stated: \_\_\_\_\_"*

## For investments and property:

*"I give free of all death duties, estate succession or otherwise, State or Federal payable upon by reason of or in consequence of my death to the Brain Foundation, ABN 47 008 479 936. Insert description of investment shares/ bonds/Insurance Policy/goods chattels/artworks and/or property: \_\_\_\_\_ for the general purpose of the Foundation, or the specific use stated: \_\_\_\_\_"*

## Declaration:

*"AND I DECLARE that the receipt of the Secretary, Treasurer or other proper Officer of the Brain Foundation shall be full and sufficient discharge to my Trustee for the legacy and my Trustee shall not be responsible to see to the application of it."*