



ChildVision

National Education Centre for Blind Children

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**LEGACIES
& WILLS**

Your Greatest Legacy

A Gift in Your Will
for Ireland's Blind Children





One of the easiest ways you can make a lasting difference to Ireland's blind children after your lifetime is with a gift to ChildVision in your will – also called a bequest, or legacy.

In fact as you'll discover overleaf a few sentences in your will are all that's needed. Yet at ChildVision this simple act can be your greatest legacy, by securing specialised programmes, technologies and therapy that will directly touch the lives of Irish blind and multi-disabled children and their families long after you're gone.

Forever loved. Forever in our hearts. Forever a friend to the transformative work of ChildVision.



Wills, Legacy & Bequest Basics: Common Queries

Putting your family first...

If you're thinking about making your will – or if your existing will is over five years old – recent changes to inheritance tax laws make now the time to act. Tax-free thresholds for your heirs have been cut while inheritance taxes have jumped to the world's highest. Your properly prepared will can protect your heirs from the taxman and set aside a portion of your estate to make a lasting difference to the lives of others. Get up to speed with the basics here. Then contact a solicitor to update or make your will today.

Do I really need a will?

If you own property or are concerned about who inherits your assets and belongings after your death, you need a will. Even if you don't plan to leave a bequest to charity, a will is the only way for you to say how you want your things distributed. Without a will in place when you die those decisions fall to others. You also lose your one chance to reduce what Revenue can claim. The good news is that it's not difficult to make a proper will. It's a basic service most solicitors provide so scheduling your appointment is just a phone call away.

I'm considering a gift to ChildVision in my Will. What are my options?

A gift to charity in your will is also called a bequest or legacy and can be made in two ways:

1. A Residuary Bequest is the remainder of your estate, or a designated percentage of that remainder, after your loved ones have received everything you've indicated is for them. Share this sample residuary bequest language with your solicitor:

"I give to ChildVision of Grace Park Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9, Ireland, all of [or _____% of] the residue of my estate whatsoever and wheresoever, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or other officer for the time being of the said Organisation shall be a full and sufficient discharge of the same."

2. A Pecuniary Bequest is a gift of a fixed sum of money. Share this sample pecuniary bequest language with your solicitor:

"I give the sum of €_____ or I bequeath [the item specified] to ChildVision of Grace Park Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9, Ireland, and I direct that the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the said Organisation shall be proper and sufficient discharge for the same."

I want to leave ChildVision a bequest but my will is made. Can I amend it?

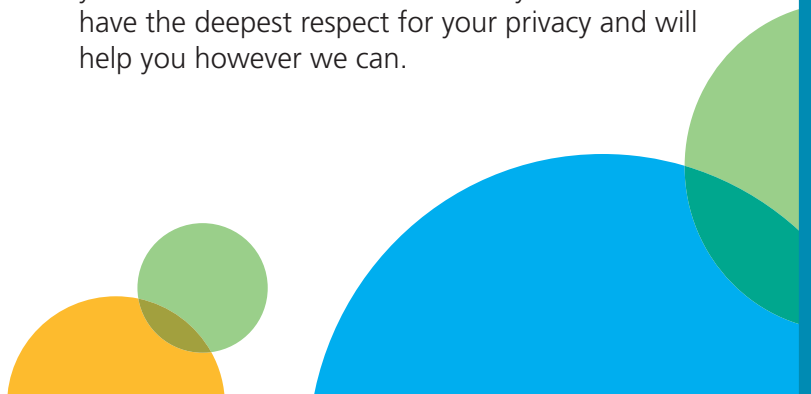
Yes. Amending your will to include a final gift to ChildVision or any other charity is easy. This change is called a 'codicil' and can be discussed with and drawn up by your solicitor.

Must I notify you if I've made a gift to ChildVision in my will?

We believe that a will is your personal business. So while we'd love to thank and update you while you're still here, at ChildVision it's always your choice to let us know in advance of your decision. One advantage to you is that by telling us in advance of a gift in your will for Ireland's blind and multi-disabled children, you can choose (if you wish) the areas of our work that you most want your bequest to support after you're gone – from equine therapy to education.

I still have queries. May I speak confidentially with you?

You are always welcome to **schedule a confidential call or visit with Ruth Hickey on 01 837 3635** for queries big and small, to learn more about our work for Ireland's blind children, to meet with us personally, or to let us know that you've remembered ChildVision in your will. We have the deepest respect for your privacy and will help you however we can.



**Thank you for taking
this vital step to learn
about leaving a legacy.**

And thank you, as ever, for caring
about Ireland's blind children.



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We are here to help you

If you're considering a gift in your will to ChildVision – or if you've done so and want to let us know – ring **Ruth Hickey** on **01 837 3635**, email to **RuthHickey@childvision.ie**, or schedule a visit. We're just off the M50 in Dublin and are happy to help you however we can.