

*Leave a lasting gift
that cares for the future
of children*



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What is the legacy you want to leave behind?



It is a question that I've often pondered. One that seems to have an obvious answer, at least as far as the world is concerned. Take care of yourself. Take care of your family. Make sure your life is as comfortable as possible.

Me-First.

But is this the best way? And is this the example I want to set for the generations following me?

I'm convinced that the alternative, 'You-First' mentality, is the better way. 'You-First' gives with no expectation of return. 'You-first' is powerful and effective in alleviating suffering and bringing unexpected joy to the recipient.

So, how do I live with a 'You-First' mentality?

I look for opportunities. Serving with Heart for Kids is one of those opportunities. Having seen so many lives transformed as a result of the work of Heart for Kids, I felt thankful, grateful and privileged to be part of this work. At Heart for Kids, we are building towards a better future for the poor and the orphans who are afflicted.

But when I'm gone, what then?

“Bequests are often referred to as the gift that never stops giving”

After reading the above quote, I realised that there was a way for me to continue to give, to show my family my values, even when I'm no longer around to do it personally.

Will you consider making a bequest as part of your Will?

Ken Lee,
Chairman of the Board
Heart for Kids



Your legacy could reach across generations and oceans

Poverty is a generational affliction. It does not discriminate between young and old. It affects parents and children – and then, as those children grow up, their children. But the poverty cycle doesn't have to continue indefinitely through the generations of a family.

A single act of generosity can reverse the cycle.

Instead of inheriting poverty, the children of our recipients will inherit the blessing of a parent who has experienced worth. An education. A sense of personal value. An understanding that someone, somewhere in a country they didn't really know much about, cared. **A continuing legacy of kindness.**

Your gift through your Will can protect, educate and care for young children who will grow to impact the generations that follow.



Our story

We saw a great need for abandoned children in China to know they were loved and special. These children had been discarded and often felt worthless. We began taking teams of loving volunteers to an orphanage where people were designated to look after these children but didn't have the time to love and show the value of each life.

Our volunteers brought that love.

We began helping children who had been denied access to an education due to poverty. So, we helped with small scholarships which enabled them to stay in school. Then scholarships that helped some to enter university. Futures were turned around because children were getting their education and that led to better vocations and adult lives, and that to better lives for the next generation.

Next came Doves Wings. A loving foster home to help prepare children from their institution life for their Forever Family.

But the need didn't stop there, so we grew to meet it.

We are now also helping children and adults with special needs. Our latest projects are centred around children in India and young adults in Indonesia while continuing in China.



How your gift could help many

Heart for Kids helps kids re-write life stories and turn around futures. Not all our programs look the same, nor do the children we help across various countries. But we believe in developing the same gift of love through all our work and supporting each individual child because they are important and valuable to God and to us.

By leaving a legacy gift to Heart for Kids in your Will, you will enable us to continue to create new stories and changed futures for children. Your gift will be directly sowing into the lives of children in need and preparing them for a better future.

Forever Parents of Doves Wings children have often expressed their observation of the impact our care has had. One wrote saying...

“Thank you for everything that you’re doing in the lives of these children every day. It’s because of all of you that our new son has been doing so well now that he is with us.”

The elderly mother of a young man whom we helped through university came and visited us. For probably half an hour she sat and held our hand saying “Xiè xiè, Xiè xiè. Thank you, thank you.”



She had no way to help her young son, *but we did.*

We’re supporting children in India whose parents are unable to care for them due to poverty or sickness. These children come to our care home where they receive physical, emotional and spiritual support. Many have shared that they don’t know how they would have lived without this care.

We have helped to relocate young adults in Indonesia to locations where they can gain an education that leads to meaningful work. They are being mentored and given opportunities to learn leadership in the local church youth.

Your gift will help children just like these for years to come.



Some of our supported children

In China

Yong* suffered abandonment as a baby. Yong and children like him have little or no prospects for their future. Some were fortunate enough to be picked up from streets and even rubbish dumps, but while they were cared for, their futures were often still marred by poverty. Their education was restricted as it was unaffordable for their adoptive families, despite possessing the intelligence to pass university entrance exams.

By providing a scholarship, Yong* was able to continue his studies and build the groundwork for a better future for his own children. Your bequest could support children just like him.

Children living with the impact of HIV

The children in our India children's care home are often living with the impact of HIV over their lives. Sometimes they themselves are infected, often though it's their parents.

One girl was 15 when we discovered she was not able to get her medication because her mother, who also HIV+, could not afford them. We were able to step in to help and the change in her has been miraculous. While she is not back in school, there is a twinkle in her eye and she is engaging with people again through her art.



She has returned to her artwork which she really loves

** names changed*

Seven reasons why a current valid Will is important

Writing a Will isn't something we all enjoy doing. It's often put in the "too hard basket" and many Wills are either non-existent or vastly out of date. A valid Will should reflect events in our life, such as the birth of children, new property, marriages and retirements.

A Will that is clearly written and up to date can:

1. Define who is important to you and who you would like to take on the role of executor to administer your estate
2. Aid your executor in understanding how you would like your affairs managed
3. Help ensure all your assets, including property and other possessions, are distributed in accordance with your wishes
4. Set out the beneficiaries (individuals or organisations), you want to benefit from your estate
5. Appoint a guardian for your minor children and outline any wishes for how they should be brought up
6. Reduce any potential conflict relating to your estate after your death by clearly stating your wishes, possibly saving your estate from a large expense
7. Help to enable your estate to be settled quickly and with ease.

We hope you'll include a gift to Heart for Kids when you write or update your Will

[*https://www.statetrustees.com.au/7-reasons-why-you-need-a-will](https://www.statetrustees.com.au/7-reasons-why-you-need-a-will)



Three simple ways to leave a gift & re-write life stories

Depending on your personal circumstances writing or updating your Will can require just a few simple steps or may be a little more complicated. We always recommend you speak with a legal professional so you can have peace of mind that the process has been done properly and your new Will is valid.

What kind of gifts can be left?

Did you know you can leave different kinds of gifts?

How you choose to leave your lasting gift to Heart for Kids is completely up to your personal preference. It's about what works for you. These are the most common ways people make inclusions in their Will.

- 1** *You can leave a fixed amount of money*
A *Pecuniary Bequest* is a fixed some of money you nominate in your Will. One thing to keep in mind is this type of gift does not allow for any changes in your circumstances of effects of inflation.
- 2** *A specific item*
Some people choose to nominate a particular item which is then sold and the proceeds helping to support our work. This is often called a *Specific Bequest* and includes items such as shares, jewellery, real estate, artwork or other specific items.
- 3** *A share of your estate*
Sometimes people decide to help by leaving a share of the overall estate after loved ones have been provided for. This can be an easier way to update a Will and is often known as a *Residuary Bequest*. It does not obstruct what you would like to leave for loved ones and is not impacted by inflation. Your chosen percentage, be that 2%, 5% or more, can make a very valuable impact in the lives of those we serve.



Some wording for your Will

While we provide you with this wording the most important thing of course is your comfort with this process and your peace of mind. Because of this we have already recommended you consult with your legal professional.



To donate a nominated or specific amount

“I give to Heart for Kids Australia Ltd (ABN 77 612 163 265), for its general purposes, free of all duties, the sum of \$..... for which an authorised receipt from Heart for Kids will be sufficient discharge

If you wish to donate what’s left over of your estate after providing for loved ones

“I give to Heart for Kids Australia Ltd (ABN 77 612 163 265), for its general purposes, free of all duties% of my residuary estate for which an authorised receipt from Kids Australia Limited will be a sufficient discharge for the executor(s) or trustee.”

If you wish to donate a specific item

“I give to Heart for Kids Australia Ltd (ABN 77 612 163 265), for its general purposes, free of all duties my for which an authorised receipt from Kids Australia Ltd will be a sufficient discharge for the executor(s) or trustee.”

If you wish to donate a percentage of your estate after providing for loved ones

“I give to Heart for Kids Australia Ltd (ABN 77 612 163 265), for its general purposes, free of all duties % of my residuary estate for which an authorised receipt from Heart for Kids will be a sufficient discharge for the executor(s) or trustee.”



Our commitment to you

It's really important to us to have respectful relationships with our supporters. Your desire to help Heart for Kids through your Will is something we do not take lightly. We honour and respect your desire and want to be certain you are 100% at peace with your decision to help.

- First things first, and that's your family and loved ones. Anything given in a Will should always be considered after loved ones are provided for.
- We have always used gifts and donations carefully and in ways that ensure their best and most effective use. This will also apply to your bequest which will be allocated to areas of greatest need.
- If your circumstances should change, we respect and recognise you have every right to change your mind about the bequest you have made at any time.
- You're under no obligation to let us know of your bequest however we would find it helpful to know your wishes and to personally thank you and plan for future endeavours.

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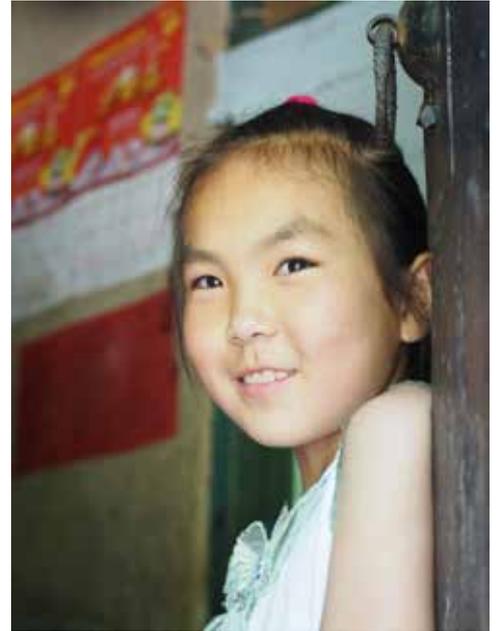
Thank you for helping re-write kids life stories in this way. Providing us with your information allows us to better connect with you about your wishes and to better plan for the future support and care of children.

I'd like to know more about including Heart for Kids in my Will.

- Please contact me
- Please send me your Bequest Booklet, which includes the suggested wording for my Will, by email
- Please include me in your news list

I have included Heart for Kids in my Will already

- I have included a gift in my Will for Heart for Kids and want to let you know
- I have provided a gift in my Will but wish to remain anonymous (please send the form without your contact details)



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Please email or post your completed response slip to Heart for Kids



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