

Why do you need a will?

Without a will, you cannot determine the disposition of your property on your death. The disposition of your property will then be done by an Act of Parliament and so the people for whom you care may not be looked after as you would wish.

Once you have made a will, it should be reviewed periodically to remain effective. A current will ensures that changing personal conditions and special wishes are all taken into account in your estate planning.

“ It is a great feeling to know that future generations of children’s lives are changed for the better, and I am remembered for my commitment.”

DOROTHY, CPS DONOR

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Types of Bequests

There are many types of bequests, all of which can benefit the Children’s Protection Society, while still looking after your family and friends. The most common is an **unrestricted bequest** which can be used by the Children’s Protection Society Board for any purpose as needs and priorities change.

Restricted bequests leave to the Children’s Protection Society either a dollar amount or other specific asset, with restrictions agreed upon by the donor and the Society. These restrictions determine where capital as well as income from the bequest may be used. They may also restrict the purpose for which the bequest may be used, such as research or advocacy. It is essential that any restrictions are discussed with the Society to ensure that your intentions can be met.

A residual bequest leaves to the Children’s Protection Society a share of or the entire remainder of a donor’s estate after specific legacies, debts, taxes and estate expenses have been provided for .

A Testamentary Trust is used to provide income to your beneficiaries during their lifetimes. Upon the death of the last beneficiary, the principal of the trust passes outright to the Children’s Protection Society or throughout the life of the trust beneficiaries receive an annual income distribution.

Other possibilities exist which offer opportunities for donors to remember the Children’s Protection Society in their wills. Please contact the Society for more information and a confidential discussion. All final decisions, however, should be made in consultation with a legal advisor.



Bequests Program

Remembering CPS in your will

Our children are our future, and while many children will grown up in a loving, caring and fortunate environment, other children will not.

There is no better legacy to leave than one which makes a difference for children at risk of abuse and neglect.



There is no better way to be remembered than to make a bequest to the Children's Protection Society.

The Children's Protection Society owes an enormous debt to the forethought and generosity of people like you who have bequeathed funds and property to the Children's Protection Society to assist with its programs.

Such bequests are reflected in new programs, research, innovation and services to children at risk of abuse and neglect. Your bequest will help break the cycle of abuse and neglect in families and to improve the life chances and choices for all children.

Why leave a bequest to CPS?

The advocacy and research work of the Society does not receive government support, likewise new innovations, developments and program enhancements often need investment to grow and thrive. The Children's Protection Society is a successful advocate and leader in services and research because of many people who have loved it, understood and believed in its mission and vision and committed support through their time and finances.

To change the lives of the most vulnerable children in our society, we need your help. Through your bequest, you will be able to continue a tradition of supporting children most in need in Victoria. By giving for the benefit of future generations you will live in the memory of the children's lives you change.

In particular your bequest can help the Children's Protection Society to:

- Expand our services to children at risk of abuse and neglect in sexual assault, violence and trauma counselling.
- Develop innovative research focused on new ways to break the cycle of abuse and neglect of children.
- Advocate to change government policy to impact and benefit all Australian children at risk.
- Enhance facilities and training to ensure world leading practice for early intervention, prevention and harm reduction services.

CPS Bequest form

- Thank you, I have included a bequest to the Society. In my will, please keep me updated with the Children's Protection Society news.
- Please contact me to discuss a bequest which I am considering.
- Please send me some more information about leaving a bequest to the Children's Protection Society.

FULL NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

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