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## Bequest

By leaving a gift in your Will, you can help Engineers Without Borders Australia continue to work with disadvantaged communities to improve their quality of life through education and the implementation of sustainable engineering projects, now and in the future. Your support will contribute directly to our work with communities in Australia and overseas.

### What is a bequest?

Bequests and legacies are particular items or sums of money given as gifts upon the death of a generous donor. After providing for your family and friends and once all debts and expenses are paid out, you may choose to leave a bequest to Engineers Without Borders Australia.

### Types of bequests?

There are various forms of bequest you might consider, including:

- The residue of your estate (after specific gifts and costs have been distributed)
- A percentage of the residue
- A specific amount of money
- Stocks & Shares
- Superannuation

You can view the suggested wording for an Engineers Without Borders Australia bequest below.

### How do I make a Will?

If you wish to leave a bequest to EWB, it must be contained in a valid Will.

A Will is an important legal document that declares, in writing, how you would like your assets to be distributed amongst your loved ones after your passing. In Australia, if we pass on without a Will (intestate), our assets are distributed according to the laws of the State, rather than our own personal wishes.

By leaving a Will, you can be assured your estate will provide for those closest to you, and the causes closest to your heart. We recommend that you speak to a qualified solicitor or legal practitioner to ensure the validity of your Will, especially if your circumstances have changed recently.

### If you need to make a Will

#### 1. Choose a Solicitor

It is highly recommended you utilise the services of a solicitor to help you prepare your Will and accurately record your wishes.

#### 2. Decide on your beneficiaries

Your immediate family, special friends and loved ones will naturally be the first you consider when drawing up your Will. Your solicitor will be able to advise you on minimising your liability to any applicable taxes., advise on appointing guardians and a Power of Attorney and setting up a trust for any young children. After taking due care of those closest to you, you may wish to leave a bequest to a particular charity - and if you do, we hope you will consider Engineers Without Borders Australia.

#### 3. Complete the formalities and keep your Will safe

It is important to appoint one or more executors, whether it is your solicitor together with family members or friends. It will be their responsibility to carry out the instructions enclosed in your Will. You should also keep your Will in a safe and secure place and be sure to tell your family and/or executors where to locate it. Also, you must ensure you keep your Will up to date and make any necessary amendments in response to changes in your circumstances.

This brochure does not seek to provide legal advice. We strongly recommend you obtain such advice from a registered solicitor.



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## Wording for your Will

The following clauses are intended as a guide only for consideration when making your Will. It is important that you consult your solicitor to ensure that the wording is appropriate for the bequest you wish to make and for your particular circumstances.

For a specific legacy

“I, Give and Bequeath to Engineers Without Borders Australia, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for its general charitable purposes free of all duties and taxes payable upon or in consequence of my death and I declare that the receipt of its Chief Executive Officer, Treasurer or other authorised officer for the time being shall be sufficient discharge to my executors.”

For a residual gift

“I, Give, Bequeath and Appoint \_\_\_\_\_% of my estate to Engineers Without Borders Australia, for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of its Chief Executive Officer, Treasurer or other authorised officer or the time being shall be sufficient discharge to my executors.”

To effect a codicil

This codicil dated \_\_\_\_\_ is made by \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

You may use whichever clause above best suits your wishes. Please remember to discuss this wording with your solicitor when your Will is prepared or amended.

Your bequest, no matter how big or small, is greatly valued.

We sincerely thank you for considering Engineers Without Borders Australia in your plans for the future.



## For more information

If you would like to discuss our Bequest program in more detail, please contact Annie Wormald

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