



*Your gift will  
last a lifetime*

Leave a gift in your Will





**Able Australia** was established over 50 years ago to provide support to the deafblind community. Today, we are a leading provider of disability services for adults and community supports for seniors, and offer a broad range of high

quality services across Melbourne, Tasmania, ACT and South East Queensland.

We strive to provide the best quality care in long term partnership with our clients and their loved ones.



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“Thank you for considering leaving a gift to Able Australia in your Will. The very fact you are reading this tells us you care deeply about the lives and futures of people with disability, and for that, we are truly grateful”

**Lynette McKeown, Able Australia CEO**

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# The power of your gift

While our clients receive some funding from the National Disability Insurance Scheme or My Aged Care, without the generosity of our partners, donors and volunteers, we simply couldn't offer the high quality range of activities to help create better days, every day for our clients.

Gifts in Will make up a large part of Able Australia's non-government funded income, and play a vital role in enabling us to provide our high-quality, person-centred services to the people who need it most.



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“As Patron of Able Australia, I see the importance of the ongoing work we do by helping people with deafblindness, multiple disabilities and in community support. By supporting Able Australia, you will allow us to continue our work in making a difference to the loves of so many”

**Peter Hitchener,**  
**Australian television presenter and Able Australia Patron**

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# Your legacy can transform lives

Once you have looked after family and friends there are ways that you can ensure that a gift is left to Able Australia. We recommend seeking legal advice to assist with this process. Bequests are generally included as part of a Will which is a legally binding document. A legal professional can assist you to ensure your final wishes are carried out.

You may consider leaving a Gift to Able Australia in the following ways:



**A residual gift:** A portion of your estate, or the remainder of your estate once your loved ones and expenses have been provided for.



**A pecuniary gift:** A gift in the form of a nominated dollar amount.



**A specific gift:** A gift in the form of a specified percentage of your estate, property, shares or artwork named in your will and given directly to Able Australia.



# Getting Started

It's important that you seek independent and professional advice when considering leaving a legacy gift. You may need to write or update your Will or attach a codicil, which is an addition or supplement to your Will outlining your gift. A qualified legal advisor will be able to provide you with advice about which is appropriate for you.

***Able Australia is endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as an income exempt charitable entity and a deductible gift recipient.***

***We understand some people may wish to remain anonymous or not be publicly recognised, we respect that decision and our commitment to you is to honour your wishes.***

# How to remember us in your Will

Leaving a gift in your Will is an important decision but it doesn't have to be complicated. Here are some points to consider:

## 1. Make or update your Will

In all cases, the most important thing is your own peace of mind so we encourage you to take your time and discuss your Will with your legal advisor.

## 2. Your legacy, your way

There are four easy ways to remember Able Australia in your Will.

- You can leave a percentage of your estate.
- A residual gift simply refers to what is left of your estate once all your loved ones have been taken care of.
- A pecuniary gift is when you specify a gift amount to be left in your Will to Able Australia.
- A specific gift, allows you to nominate an item of value such as property, art or a piece of jewellery.

All gifts will create a meaningful legacy in your name for years to come.

### 3. Suggested wording

Your bequest wordings give clear instructions to your Executors for your exact wishes to be carried out in a timely manner. The following wording is offered purely as a guide and Able Australia recommend that you seek professional advice accordingly.

#### **Some examples for consideration:**

##### **To support Able Australia:**

I bequeath the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_/or \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate to **Able Australia Services** (ABN 83 024 339 234), free of all taxes, duties, and testamentary expenses to Able Australia Services.

##### **To leave a specific gift to a specific program of Able Australia:**

I bequeath the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_/or \_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my estate to Able Australia Services (ABN 83 024 339 234) for its general purposes in the operation or conduct of the \_\_\_\_\_ program.

### 4. Notify loved ones

It is important to talk to your family and loved ones about your Will to ensure that your final wishes are carried out. Let your family know that an enduring gift to Able Australia is important to you and advise any Executors and Guardians of your wishes.

### 5. Informing us of your decision

We would love to hear from you as this will allow us to thank you for your generosity. We would also like to keep you updated on our activities and invite you to special events where you can hear more about the work being carried out by Able Australia. However, we do recognise that the gift of a legacy is a personal decision that you may wish to keep to yourself. Please be assured that we will handle your estate and wishes with the upmost care.





**By including Able Australia in your Will, you can make a lasting impact on the lives of people with disability *now*, and in the *future*.**

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