

Your first will is easier than you thought.

Leaving a gift in your will to a charity like Cancer Council NSW is one of the most generous and forward-thinking actions you can take. It's easier than you might imagine too, a simple and straightforward part of making your will. But if you haven't done it before, naturally you'll have some questions. Here are the answers to some of the more common ones, but please don't hesitate to get in touch if we can help in any way.

TIP 1 Consider your family and loved ones first.



Having an up to date will is vital. As your first priority, we recommend that you ensure you provide for your family and loved ones. From there, you can choose to remember a cause you're passionate about, if you wish.

TIP 2 A gift of even 1% makes such a difference.

You don't have to be wealthy to include a gift in your will. You just need a desire to leave a lasting impact. Once you've looked after your loved ones, a gift of even 1% in your will can make an incredible contribution to a cancer free future, and transform lives.

TIP 3 Can I choose where my gift is used?



You can be sure we'll honour your wishes if you choose to leave your gift to a specific area or cancer type. However, with our researchers making new breakthroughs, and needs changing all the time, most of our supporters choose to make an impact by allocating their gift to 'general purposes'.

TIP 4

Do I need to tell Cancer Council NSW about my gift?



You don't need to tell us that you've included Cancer Council NSW in your will. However, we'd love to acknowledge your incredible generosity, give you updates on how your gift could help in the future, and talk about any special wishes you may have.

TIP 5 Should I talk to a solicitor?



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For complex wills and estates, we strongly suggest you talk with an expert like a solicitor. However, reputable online will-writing services, are becoming more popular. For more information please visit the Safewill website: **safewill.com/cancercouncilnsw**

TIP 6

What type of gift can I leave?

There are a number of ways to leave a gift in your will:

- Whole or part of your estate^{*} – a percentage of your estate.
- A fixed sum of money a specific cash amount.
- A fixed gift such as shares or real estate.

*A percentage ensures your loved ones are taken care of, whilst also leaving a legacy that will grow as your estate grows, making an even bigger impact.

Did you know a gift of even 1% in your will can make a real impact on cancer research, helping create a safer future for generations to come.

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Information for Solicitors

Please ensure the correct wording is used and include our full name **Cancer Council NSW ABN 51 116 463 846**.

Suggested wording for wills

I ______ bequeath to Cancer Council NSW ABN 51 116 463 846 for its general purposes (or name a specific purpose, such as research, patient and support care services, cancer prevention programs)

[Choose and insert the appropriate statement from the list below]

- 1. The whole of my estate
- 2. percentage of my estate
- 3. The amount of \$
- 4. My (asset)

free of all duties, and the receipt of the Secretary or other authorised officer for the time being shall be a complete and sufficient discharge for the Executor(s).

Our preference is for gifts to be left for general purposes as this enables us to spend the gift across any of our programs and reduces the administration costs associated with quarantining for specific purposes. However, we will always respect the wishes of our supporters and will be happy with whatever your client decides.

Please contact Cancer Council NSW Gifts in Wills team if you require any additional information or have any enquiries.

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Or check the gifts in wills page on the Cancer Council NSW website **cancercouncil.com.au** for more information for your solicitor.

