

Why leave a gift in your Will to Cued Speech UK?



Gifts in Wills are vital to the work of most charities. After you've taken care of loved ones, you may wish to leave a gift in your Will to Cued Speech UK to help deaf children for generations to come.

The donation can be as small or large as you like – every gift makes a big difference.

How your gift could help

By leaving a gift to Cued Speech UK, whatever the amount, you will be helping to transform the lives of people with profound physical and multiple learning disabilities.

- £5000 will help us fund an online tutor to provide specialist online training in Cued Speech to families in their time.
- £10,000 would enable families of deaf children to come together for a weekend to learn and support each other.
- £20,000 will fund a family support practitioner for a year to deliver a training and support package to families of deaf children.



How to Leave a Gift in your will to charity

Leaving a gift in your Will to charity is easier than you might think – just follow the following steps:

- Make a note of our charity name, address and registered charity number (you can find these details at the bottom of this leaflet)
- Find a solicitor or professional Will writer to write your Will. You can find a solicitor in your area by going to the Law Society's website and using their "find a solicitor" service here:
<https://solicitors.lawsociety.org.uk/>
- Write your Will. You can find some guidance here which will help you - <https://www.moneyadvice.service.org.uk/en/categories/making-a-will> (We also outline below some of the important details you will need to remember)
- Provide your solicitor or Will writer with our details

Ways to include a gift to Cued Speech UK in your Will

- **A Percentage Share (a residuary gift)** – which is a share of what is left once all other gifts and expenses have been deducted
- **A Fixed Cash Gift (a pecuniary gift)** - A fixed sum of money
- **A Specific Gift** - An individual item of value

Updating an existing Will to include a gift to Cued Speech UK

If you want to leave a gift to charity but you've already made a Will, that's no problem – there are a couple of ways you can change it.

1. Write a new Will

The simplest way is to write a new Will. Once written, any Wills made by that person in the past become void. In fact, most Wills will start by reciting that you're writing a Will and that you're revoking previous Wills.

You can write a new Will with a professional advisor. The Money Advice Service provide free impartial advice about how you can find a solicitor to help you make a will and has details of charities that can offer this service for free:

<https://www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk/en/articles/using-a-solicitor-to-write-your-will>

2. Codicils

The other way is to write a codicil, which is a document used to make changes to an existing Will.

It's used as a way to make simple amendments like adding a charity, changing a gift amount or adding an executor. This is all quite straightforward, but problems can occur if you ever want to cancel the Will in the future.

When you cancel a Will that contains a codicil, the codicil does not get cancelled automatically, so when you write a new Will it can create inconsistencies and legal problems. To avoid this, make sure that any new Will clearly states that you are revoking all Wills and codicils previously made.

FAQ:

What about Inheritance Tax? - Leaving a part or your entire estate to charity can reduce, and in some situations, eliminate the Inheritance Tax liability. If you leave something to charity in your will, then it won't count towards the total taxable value of your estate. It is good to discuss this with your solicitor. Alternatively, you can find out more here:

<https://www.moneyadvice.service.org.uk/en/articles/the-tax-benefits-of-giving-to-charity>

What if I change my mind? - Including a gift to does not make it a binding commitment whilst you are alive. This means you are free to change your mind, and change your will, at any time.

If I leave a gift, how will you find out? - If you leave a gift for Cued Speech UK, this will be private unless you specifically decide to tell us. If you do leave us a gift and want to let us know, we would like to hear from you so we can say thank you!



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