



What
will your
legacy
be?

Create brighter futures
for children and young
people through a
gift in your Will

What do you want your legacy to be?

When you leave a gift in your Will to **yourtown**, your legacy will create brighter futures for children and young people.

Your generosity helps us tackle issues affecting the lives of young people in Australia – like mental health, domestic violence and unemployment.



**“Young people are humanity’s future.
We must nurture, protect and guide them
to ensure they achieve their full potential...”**

yourtown supporter

Every day we work with children and young people to find jobs, learn skills, become great parents and live safe happy lives. The demand for our services continues to grow each year. In 2016 alone, children, young people and families made almost 200,000 contacts with **yourtown’s** helplines and close to 40,000 people accessed our face-to-face services.

Children and young people contact Kids Helpline about issues such as mental health and wellbeing, bullying, family relationships, domestic violence and partner relationships.

Without the financial support of the community, the vital services we provide young people would not be possible. That’s why we’re so grateful that you’re considering leaving a gift to **yourtown** in your Will. A bequest provides reliable funding to create brighter futures for children and young people for years to come.

Thank you for your generosity.



Tracy Adams

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yourtown CEO



KidsHelpline
We care. We listen.



A young girl with curly hair is blowing a dandelion seed head. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green and yellow, suggesting an outdoor setting. The girl's face is in profile, looking down at the dandelion. Her hands are holding the stem of the dandelion. The overall mood is peaceful and hopeful.

Make your legacy creating brighter futures for children & young people

A bequest is when you give money or property through your Will. It represents your wishes and intentions, and it's an opportunity to provide for loved ones and charities close to your heart.

Bequests are an enduring way that you can help **yourtown** create brighter futures for children and young people.

What we do

- **Counselling and Mentoring** - from Kids Helpline's 24/7 counselling service for children and young people, Parentline for parents and carers, and face-to-face support for our service's clients.
- **Family Accommodation Services** that give families temporary homes and/or domestic violence support.
- **Parenting and Family Services** that teach young families positive parenting and connect families with community.
- **Education and re-engagement programs** that support young people to remain in school and offer other positive pathways.
- **Training and employment** services that give young people extra life choices and get them jobs.
- **Work Enterprises** that provide on-the-job experience and skills for life.

With our work mostly funded by the community, it's together and by association that we give young people choices.



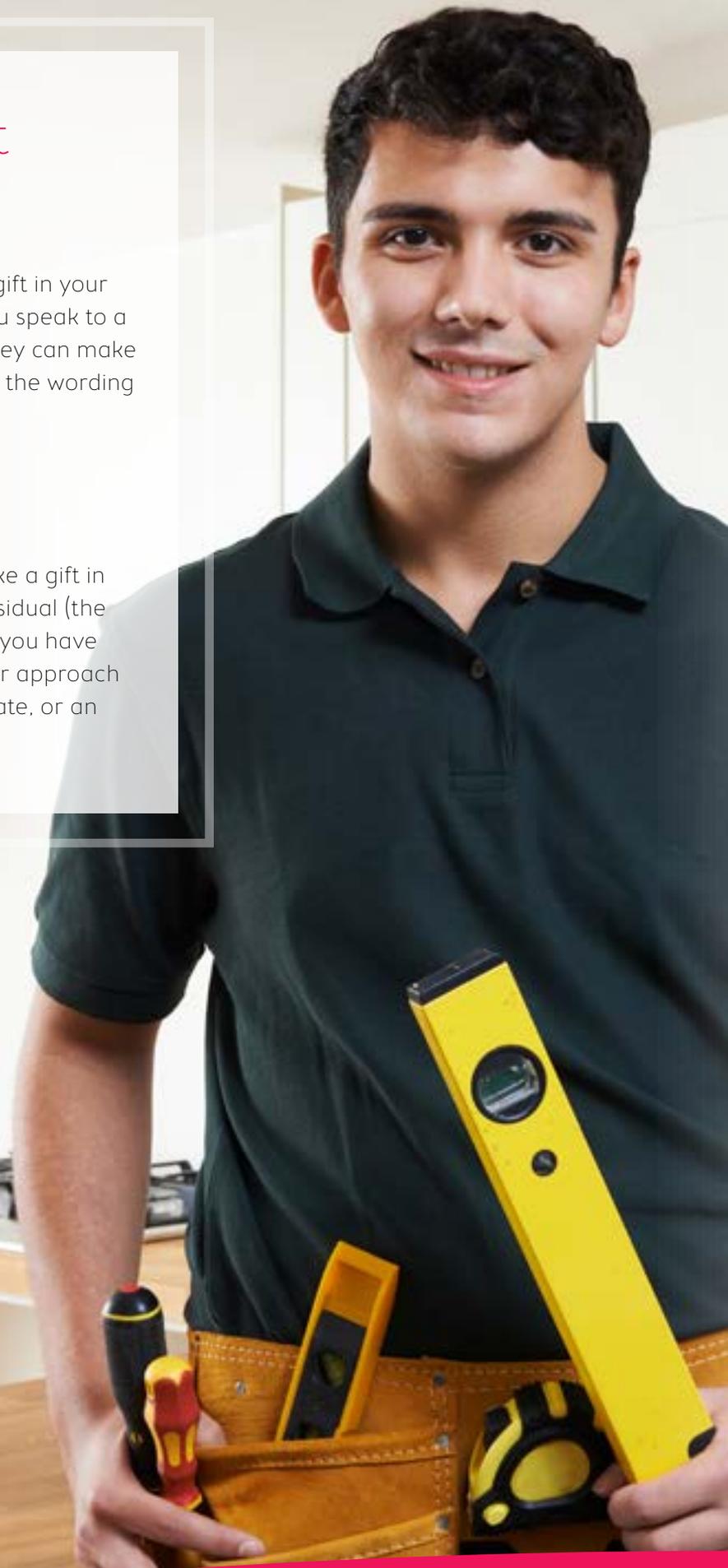
How to make a gift in your Will

Thank you for considering leaving a gift in your Will to **yourtown**. We suggest that you speak to a solicitor to help prepare your Will - they can make sure that it's set up correctly and that the wording of your gift reflects your intention.

Select the type of gift you wish to leave

There are different ways you can make a gift in your Will. One option is to give the residual (the remaining value) of your estate after you have provided for your loved ones. Another approach is to specify a percentage of your estate, or an amount of money or assets.

Please note that **we are grateful** for any support that you choose to provide - whatever the nature or value of the gift.



Suggested wording

Here is some suggested wording for your Will, based on the type of gift you choose to make.

It is better if you can keep the wording general in terms of how the funds should be used – our services may change over time to meet the evolving needs of children and young people.

A specific bequest of money to **yourtown**:

I give and bequeath the sum of \$..... free of all duties to **yourtown**, Suite 5 Cordova Street, Milton QLD 4064, for its charitable purposes.

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A specific bequest of real property to **yourtown**:

I give, devise and bequeath my real property situated at
..... (address) more particularly described as(real property description), free of all duties to **yourtown**, Suite 5 Cordova Street, Milton QLD 4064, for its charitable purposes.

.....

A bequest of the residue of your estate to **yourtown**:

I give, devise and bequeath the rest and residue of my estate, both real and personal to **yourtown**, Suite 5 Cordova Street, Milton QLD 4064, for its charitable purposes.

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A bequest of a percentage or the whole of your estate to **yourtown**:

I give, devise and bequeath% (or “the whole”) of my estate, both real and personal to **yourtown**, Suite 5 Cordova Street, Milton QLD 4064, for its charitable purposes.

Meet some of our

Dr Anthony Bourke has had a long association with yourtown, in particular supporting our employment programs.

He gives monthly, and has also written a gift into his Will. Dr Bourke explains why he decided to leave a gift in his Will to **yourtown**.



“Throughout my life journey I have been privileged to live and work in many countries and understand fully the need to educate and give hope to young people. This has also made me appreciate the love and care I received from both my parents.

What impresses me about **yourtown** is the range of multi-dimensional services they provide and how through a nurturing environment they help turn lives around.

Naturally, I am very proud to be associated with such an inspiring charity and it's why I make regular donations. More recently, I updated my Will and made provision to leave a more substantial bequest to **yourtown** in support of their wonderful work.

This is my own humble way of continuing to help make a difference to the lives of many young people... and I would encourage others to consider the ultimate gift, of leaving a bequest in their Will to **yourtown**.”

wonderful supporters

John was another loyal supporter, who left a bequest in his Will.

He had experienced hardship when he was young, so he wanted to empower young people who were doing it tough.



Sadly, in 2016 John passed away, but his legacy continues.

His final gift of property and funds to **yourtown** provided thousands of young people with the chance of a brighter future.

John's generous gift enabled us to build a stunning prize home in a beautiful location. Many people don't realise that **yourtown** buys properties that become luxury prize homes for our Art Unions. These raise vital funds for the services we provide, like Kids Helpline.

John was a very special person who had experienced many hardships in his younger life and wanted to empower young people doing it tough.



"He was concerned for those who struggled in life, especially young people. His wish for them was that they be given the opportunity to find their place and live safe, happy lives."

Tracy Adams, **yourtown** CEO

John's gift will mean that thousands of children and young people can be supported by funds generated from the Art Union.

The Prize Home
offered in Draw
463 drawn on
31 Jan 2017



CONTACT US

We would love to hear from you

Please contact us. We will treat every enquiry with confidentiality and respect. If you have decided to leave a gift to **yourtown** in your Will, we would love to hear about it so we can say a heartfelt **'thank you!'**

Please also consider sharing your decision to make a bequest to **yourtown**.

Sharing testimonials from our wonderful supporters is a compelling way to encourage others to consider leaving a bequest as well.

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