



The Hospice
of st francis



“I'M LEAVING A GIFT”

HOW ABOUT YOU?

**1 in 5 patients we care for each year
are looked after thanks to gifts in Wills**

“I’ve left a gift in my Will to the Hospice to help ensure we continue to care for our patients and their families when they need us the most. Please, if you can, consider doing the same.”

Dr Sharon Chadwick

Medical Director, & Consultant in Palliative Care



● About us

Here at the Hospice of St Francis, we provide essential and expert care either at home or in our In-Patient Unit, for adults with a life limiting illness, as well as supporting their loved ones at the most difficult of times.

Our free care costs over £6 million every year and with less than 20% of our funding coming from the NHS, we rely heavily on the kindness of our wonderful supporters, especially people who leave a gift in their Will.

● Leaving a gift in your Will

A gift in your Will, regardless of size, means you are directly supporting those who need it the most, for generations to come.

If you consider leaving us a gift in your Will, there are three kinds of gifts you can leave:



“I put the Hospice in my Will because I wanted to do something useful.”

Perhaps, in the future, hospice nurses will benefit from what I’ve given.”

- Local resident who has left a gift

1

A cash gift is a fixed amount of money of your choice.

2

You can choose to leave specific items, such as your house, jewellery or household items such as art.

3

You can also choose to leave a residuary gift, which is a percentage or share of the balance of your estate once all other payments and gifts have been made. This is an easy way of helping The Hospice of St Francis without having to decide on a precise sum today.

● Making a difference

A gift in your Will, regardless of size, makes a huge difference.

Some gifts are transformational such as the gift in the Will of a local resident that enabled us to purchase the land the Hospice proudly stands on today.

Typically the great majority of gifts help with the day-to-day costs of running the Hospice.



£2,000 - the cost of all the journeys made to see patients at home for one month



£14,000 - the cost of all the medicine prescribed on our Inpatient Unit for two months



£150,000 - the cost of equipment needed for patient care for one year



● Next steps and key details

To leave a gift to The Hospice of St Francis in your Will, you will need to include our name, address and registered charity number.

➤ **The Hospice of St Francis,
Spring Garden Lane, Berkhamsted,
Herts, HP4 3GW**

➤ **Registered Charity number: 280825**

When you are ready to make your Will, it is important to seek legal advice so please do visit a solicitor, take advantage of our free Will writing service (provided by Octopus Legacy) or sign up for our Make a Will Month in October.

**Visit our website to find out more
stfrancis.org.uk/wills**



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● Find out more



We have a lot of useful information on our website which can be accessed either via this QR code or on our website

STFRANCIS.ORG.UK/WILLS

● Here to help

If you are keen to hear more about how we can help or discuss the difference a gift in your Will can make, please contact our Legacy Team at The Hospice of St Francis.



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