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specialist health
care at home
since 1984



SOUTH EAST PALLIATIVE CARE
Specialist Health Care at Home

Need help from us?

Please call us anytime at SEPC if we can assist you with any advice about how our bequest program works - ask for our Marketing and Fundraising Coordinator. We would be pleased to meet with you to discuss any aspect of the program.

Alternatively email our office to seek initial contact at: reception@sepallcare.org.au

You can be assured that your privacy in this matter will be strictly respected.

Our Values

Respect
Compassion
Excellence

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A Bequest to
South East
Palliative Care
is a simple way
to make the
contribution
of a lifetime



Bequest Program

After considering family members and friends, a growing number of Australians are choosing to include a **bequest** to a deserving organisation in their Will

You can be assured that any bequest to South East Palliative Care (SEPC), whether large or small, will make a difference in our life's work to help those in extreme need facing a terminal illness – and their families.

SEPC is a not-for-profit specialist health care provider that has been helping people and their families since 1984 to manage terminal illness. Without the support of caring benefactors we would not have survived as an organisation.

Demand for our services in the south east of Melbourne, incorporating the City of Greater

Dandenong, City of Casey, Shire of Cardinia and City of Kingston (part), continues to escalate. You can help us to plan for the future to help others by establishing a bequest to SEPC in your Will.

We are all affected by the loss of a loved one at some stage of our lives. The role of SEPC is to provide specialist health care and practical support during this final journey for many. We seek to minimise pain and other symptoms for patients, and to provide support, advice and counselling for families and friends. You can help us in this important work.

Your generosity in the form of a bequest to SEPC is a formidable statement that will make a difference to the lives of people in extreme need in your local community.

What you need to know

A Will is a secure way of ensuring that your possessions are distributed according to your wishes after your death. It is also a gift from you that will make a significant difference in the lives of people in need. People that you have decided to help.

Your bequest is a continuation of your current support of our work. Making a Will allows you to make appropriate provisions for your family and friends and to extend your lifetime of support to organisations such as SEPC that share your vision, values and concerns.

A bequest is a provision in your will that names the recipient or partial recipients of your estate.

In making a bequest to SEPC you can specify a percentage of your estate, a fixed dollar amount or you could name SEPC as a residuary beneficiary, leaving SEPC what remains of your estate after specific bequests to loved ones have been paid. Another alternative is to bequeath specified assets or items of personal property such as land, shares or life insurance.

A bequest may provide an unrestricted gift to be used where SEPC considers it is most needed.

Next steps / factors to consider

SEPC strongly recommends that you consult an expert such as a solicitor, when making your Will. These legal advisors will be able to put your requests and wishes into the correct legal form and advise you on other legal formalities such as how your gift may affect tax liability or any other aspect of your affairs.

If you already have a Will and wish to make a bequest to SEPC this may require a simple change to your Will known as a codicil. Your legal advisor can assist you quickly in this matter.

Should you decide to include a bequest to SEPC, your legal adviser can advise you about the different types of bequests that you can make, but we suggest the following wording:

"I give and bequeath to SOUTH EAST PALLIATIVE CARE LTD ACN 082 991 777, of Locked Bag 2500, Cranbourne, Victoria, 3977, for its general purposes
* _____ (here specify your gift such as a percentage or dollar amount or selected asset/s or items of the residue of my estate). The receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer of South East Palliative Care shall be deemed as a sufficient discharge to my Executors."

*Please insert a dollar amount, a percentage figure, details of the particular asset or item. You may wish to consider leaving a percentage of your estate rather than a dollar amount. The value of your bequest could be greatly reduced by inflation between the time you write the Will and the time it is administered.