

Give the gift of a healthier and happier life **Leave a gift in your Will**



Your Gift

Leave a lasting gift and make a significant difference in the lives of those affected by illness and injury. Through your Will you can help the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation continue your legacy far beyond your lifetime through the funding of life-saving equipment, patient care programs, staff development, research and scholarships.

By choosing to include our Foundation in your Will, you'll become a vital part of the life-saving work and compassionate care of Darling Downs Health.

You can make the life of a staff member a little easier, the day of a patient a little brighter, and bring peace of mind to the loved ones of patients.

Your support, great or small, goes directly towards improving the quality of care for patients and families touched by our hospitals across the Darling Downs.

By naming the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation as a beneficiary in your Will, you can ensure that many generations to come are given the gift of the best possible chance at a healthier and happier life.

Alison Kennedy

CEO Toowoomba Hospital Foundation





How Your Gift Helps

The Toowoomba Hospital Foundation's mission is to always be here to support our community right across the Darling Downs by helping to improve local health facilities and services. All gifts made to us in Wills play a vital role in improving the lives of future generations.

To ensure that your gift has the biggest impact and goes to the areas of most need, we recommend leaving an unassigned or general-purpose gift. That way we can ensure that your gift is helping to fund the most pressing needs of our hospitals and health services. Some of these needs may include:

Equipment: ensure our hospitals and health service staff have access to the medical equipment and supplies they need to care for patients.

Training for health staff: support continued learning, professional development and access to the latest research and developments in patient care for all staff across the health service.

Scholarships: fund staff scholarships for Undergraduate and Postgraduate studies in related fields.

Research: provide the opportunity for Darling Downs Health staff to carry out life-saving and life-changing research projects, making the possibility of new treatments a reality for patients.

Patient care: help to gift the little things that make staying in hospital less daunting and create opportunities for patient support programs.

Rural Health: assist our rural communities by funding community outreach programs, travelling clinics and provide support to rural health services.

Future planning: help us achieve our wish-list items such as building a dedicated hospital museum or assist in funding future projects ear-marked for the health service.

Your Gift In Action

There's no better gift to leave than one of support, care and compassion. Through your generosity, no matter how modest, we can continue to give patients the best possible care that will echo through generations.

With your support we can help bring a smile to patients' faces, comfort to a loved one, a welcome distraction to sick kids and support to people affected by illness and injury in our hospitals.

Whether it's giving back to the medical staff who cared for you or a loved one, or paying it forward so that others may also benefit from the care you received, there are many incredible ways your gift will transform people's lives.

We are committed to caring for our community through all stages of their lives and ensuring that their quality of life is well looked after.

Thanks to the generosity of our community we've helped to enhance a range of family and patient care programs, fund vital equipment and give patients more time together with their loved ones.

From children's health to aged care, through to mental health and cancer care your gift in Will can make a difference in the lives of people touched by our hospitals, today, tomorrow, next year and for many more years to come.







Our Promise

We understand that deciding to leave a gift in your Will is an extremely important and personal decision. That's why no matter how great or small, you can be assured that your gift will be truly valued.

If you choose to include the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation in your Will it is extremely important to us that your gift is treated with the utmost care, sensitivity and respect. **So, here is our promise to you**:

- We care about and are committed to bettering healthcare in our region however, we understand and recognise that your family and loved ones will always come first.
- We will always honour and respect your privacy. What you choose to give will be kept entirely confidential and we will only acknowledge your generosity if you are comfortable for us to do so.
- You have the absolute right to change your mind about leaving a gift to us and we will respect any and every decision you make.
- We will ensure that your gift will do the greatest good and have the greatest impact, and respect all your wishes on where, what and how you would like it to be used across our hospitals.
- You are under no obligation to tell us if you've left a gift to the Foundation in your Will. But if you do, we would love to say thank you and keep you updated on our events and the achievements of the Foundation and our supporters.

It is with this promise that you can be confident that your gift and wishes will be well looked after and respected, knowing that your donation will continue to benefit those in need into the future.



Why It Matters

From funding state-of-the-art equipment, investing in staff training or improving the quality of care and service through patient programs, your gift matters. It matters because it's saving lives, whether it's your children, grandchildren or the many generations to follow.

There will always be a need for good-quality healthcare and as our region continues to grow and the demand on our hospitals increases, it is our hope that the Foundation will continue to be there to support patients, their families and the hardworking medical staff.

Gifts in Wills ultimately ensures that the Foundation will be here for the long-term, supporting people through the hardest, happiest and saddest times of their lives.

Your impact of giving can make a difference to a cancer patient, a sick child or someone with a life-altering injury and will inspire the future successes of our hospitals and staff.

Not only is your gift a vital source of funding but we can guarantee that 100% of your donation will go to where you nominate it to go, helping those who need it the most.

Your support is a gift that means the Foundation can continue to train medical staff, fund better equipment and bring vital and quality healthcare to our growing and diverse region for many years to come.

This is why your gift matters.





Frequently Asked Questions

What is a gift in Will?

A gift in your Will is a pledge to make a future donation to charity. With the help of your solicitor a gift in your Will can be made after financial commitments, funeral arrangements and your loved ones have been looked after. A gift in Will allows you the chance to give to a cause close to your heart after your lifetime.

Why should I leave a gift in my Will to THF?

Leaving a gift in your Will is a way of supporting the causes you care about today without having to make an immediate financial contribution. Your gift to THF will mean that we can continue to fund vital equipment, patient programs, research, and staff development and scholarships so that our region receives the best possible healthcare.

How do I leave a gift in my Will to THF?

We understand that your priority when making or updating your Will is to provide for your loved ones. Many people find that even after they've done this there's an opportunity to leave a gift to charity. We strongly recommend seeking legal advice when it comes to organising your Will. A legal professional can guide you through the process and suggest how you might be able to leave a gift.

Do I need to choose a specific area to leave my gift?

No. We do recommend leaving a general gift as this will help THF direct your donation to where it's needed most and give us flexibility to respond to the changing needs of our hospitals and health service.

Should I notify you if I've included you in my Will?

We understand that making a Will can be a very private matter, so you are under no obligation to share this information with us. However, we do love to hear from those who support the Foundation as it gives us the opportunity to personally thank you for leaving such a special gift.

I've already made my Will, can I still leave a gift?

If you've already drafted your Will, we recommend speaking with your solicitor who can help you create a codicil to include a gift in your Will to THF and ensure that your wishes are expressed correctly.

My gift is only modest, does that matter?

The Toowoomba Hospital Foundation is honoured and grateful to have the support of people like you, who choose to leave a gift in their Will. Every gift, no matter how great or small, makes a world of difference to our patients and health service and is greatly appreciated.

Sample Clauses For Gifts In Wills

Here are some sample clauses that you may like to use when considering leaving a gift to THF in your Will. These sample clauses are for guidance only and not meant to be taken as legal advice, we strongly recommend you seek independent legal advice about how you can leave a gift in your Will.

General-Purpose Clause

the gift to a stated purpose.

A general-purpose gift, unrestricted as to its use, will allow THF to use your gift where it is needed most in the health service.

I give to the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation for general purposes,	
(#Description of Gift)
I declare that the receipt of Toowoomba Hospita my Trustee.	Foundation is sufficient discharge to
Specific Purpose Clause	
A specific purpose gift allows Toowoomba Hospi	tal Foundation flexibility in applying

I give to the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation,

(#Description of Gift______)

(**for the use of______)

I express the wish without creating any binding trust, that if practicable this gift be applied towards (state purpose as widely possible).

I declare that the receipt of Toowoomba Hospital Foundation is sufficient discharge to my Trustee.

Insert the type of gift. For example, "the residue of my estate" / "or a percentage of the residue of my estate" / a specific sum of money.

** Specify the area of Darling Downs Health for the use of health, research or staff development or write 'Toowoomba Hospital Foundation' if you wish for us to designate your funds.





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