

Enhancing life, excelling in care

Your gift for our future



Every year we care for one in four patients thanks to gifts in Wills.

Leaving a gift in your Will to Hospice at Home West Cumbria is possibly the most significant donation you can give and the greatest contribution you can make.

We've played an essential role across West Cumbria since 1987, enabling thousands of people to have choices as they approach the end of their lives and helping them and their families during their most difficult days. Today, the values and ethos from those early times are more relevant than ever – compassionate care and bespoke wraparound services for patients with life limiting illnesses and support for their loved ones.

Gifts in Wills, also known as legacies, are essential to help develop and sustain our first class services, ensuring we can continue to support people across West Cumbria throughout the hardest of times. Gifts in Wills has enabled us to provide:

- Palliative and end of life home nursing care
- Emotional wellbeing and bereavement support
- Specialist lymphoedema treatments
- Respite support
- Complementary therapies
- Information and advice

Legacies also make a substantial contribution towards our running costs and organisational development, allowing us to continue to grow and improve our services. Leaving a gift in your Will to Hospice at Home West Cumbria will help us to continue providing specialist palliative care in the years to come.



People often do not want to think about making a Will, and it is surprising how many of us die without making one. Writing a Will is the most important way to formalise your wishes and ensures that your family and loved ones are taken care of in the way that you want. It's also a way to record the causes close to you, and even a small gift, or a percentage of your estate, can make such a difference to people across West Cumbria who need our support.

How do I leave a gift to Hospice at Home West Cumbria in my Will?

If you decide to leave a gift in your Will to Hospice at Home West Cumbria, there are three ways you can do this:

- You can leave a residuary gift, which is the remainder of your estate, after your loved ones have been provided for
- You can leave a pecuniary gift, which is a fixed amount specified in your Will, as a gift to Hospice at Home West Cumbria
- You can leave a specific gift, which could be property, jewellery, shares or a piece of furniture

Leaving a legacy to Hospice at Home West Cumbria is straightforward and can be included in a new Will or added as a codicil to an existing Will. We recommend that you seek independent advice from a solicitor to ensure this is done correctly and does not affect the validity of your Will.

"We wanted the local community to benefit from our estate, as well as ensuring we provided for our families. We chose Hospice at Home West Cumbria because it is a charity which is run locally and brings essential services to people across West Cumbria. Anyone can leave a gift in their Will to Hospice at Home West Cumbria, it's not only for people with large estates or property. We feel a sense of comfort and pride knowing that our legacy will help to support people facing the toughest of times."

Marion and James, Workington

If you have already decided to leave a legacy to Hospice at Home West Cumbria, thank you. It would be very helpful for long-term financial planning and service delivery if you could let us know, although there is no need to provide details of the legacy if you do not wish to, nor is the pledge in any way binding. It is simply a statement of your present intention.

If you would like to talk to someone about leaving a gift in your Will, or to request a copy of our free Guide to Making and Changing a Will, please contact a member of our legacy team.





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