



Leaving your legacy to protect elephants

Leaving a gift in your Will (sometimes called a bequest, legacy or planned gift) is a wonderful way to make a donation that will have an impact beyond your lifetime. For many people this is the most powerful and meaningful philanthropic contribution they will ever make.

We recognize that family and loved ones will come first when writing your Will. However, if you consider nominating Save the Elephants in your estate planning, your gift will make a lasting difference to the future of elephants. Funds received from bequests will shape the organisation we become tomorrow.

Things to consider before you start writing your Will

We recommend using a legal professional to write or update your Will, as this will ensure everything is valid.

A Will gives you the opportunity to direct how your estate is to be distributed to those people and organisations that are most important to you. In the absence of a Will, the state decides who will receive your assets. A current and legal Will minimises delays and expense at a challenging time.

People change their Wills for many reasons, particularly when their personal circumstances change. A minor change can be made by adding a codicil, or a new Will may be written to ensure clarity of intention.

Information to complete your planned gift

There are 3 main types of gift you can make:

- **Pecuniary** – a fixed sum of money.
- **Residuary** – a share or percentage of what's left of the value of your estate after family and friends have been taken care of, and bills, debts and taxes paid. You can give the whole of the residue to a person or charity, or a portion of it.
- **Specific** – other items such as stocks or shares which will generate funds for the beneficiary.

The advantage of leaving a percentage (or residuary gift) is that it holds its value, and you don't need to worry about nominating an amount now for your gift. You won't need to change your Will to keep up with inflation. Whatever is left over after your needs are met in your lifetime can be distributed as per your wishes.

Save the Elephants is a charity registered in Kenya, the United Kingdom and in the United States (through our fiscal sponsor, Wildlife Conservation Network). It's recommended that you include as much of our information as possible, so we are easily identifiable in your Will:

- Official charity name: Save the Elephants
- Address: Marula Manor, Marula Lane, Karen P.O. Box 54667, Nairobi 00200
- Registered charity number in the UK: 1118804

Suggested gift wording

We would always recommend that you contact a legal professional in your country of tax residence for legal advice relevant to your own circumstances.

Suggested wording if you are based in the United Kingdom:

"I give and bequeath to Save The Elephants, c/o Gerald Edelman, 73 Cornhill, London EC3V 3QQ (Registered Charity Number 1118804):

- a) All of my residuary estate, or
- b) % of my residuary estate, or
- c) The sum of £.....

to be applied for its general purposes at the discretion of the Chief Executive Office and Board of Trustees"

If you are based in the United States:

Wildlife Conservation Network (WCN) is Save the Elephants' 501(c)3 fiscal sponsor in the US and 100% of your gift will be transferred to Save the Elephants, as long as they know of your intention. Please contact WCN's Gift and Legacy Manager Pauline Russell at planned_giving@wildnet.org or on +1 (415) 202 6384 if you have any questions or would like to advise them you wish to select Save the Elephants as the beneficiary of your planned gift.

Suggested wording:

"I (*name*) _ give ___ (*amount/percentage of assets*) _to Wildlife Conservation Network, a California nonprofit corporation, with principal business address of 209 Mississippi Street, San Francisco, CA 94107 (Tax ID #30-0108469), for the benefit of Save the Elephants."

Other ways to leave a planned gift to Save the Elephants via Wildlife Conservation Network:

- LIFE INSURANCE - Whole life, universal, and other forms of permanent life insurance policies.
- CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES – WCN pays ACGA-recommended rates and annuities can be established with a minimum gift of \$10,000 and a minimum age of 60.
- RETIREMENT PLANS - Through a beneficiary designation in your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), or other retirement plan.

If you have already included Save the Elephants in your will, please let us know so we can thank you!

You may choose to formally notify us of your bequest by:

- Providing a copy of the clause in your will that mentions the gift to Save the Elephants, or
- Having your legal representative notify us in writing that you have left a bequest to Save the Elephants

Please be assured that any information you provide to Save the Elephants will be treated in the strictest confidence. If you would like to have a confidential discussion about leaving a legacy gift to Save the Elephants, please contact us at donate@savetheelephants.org