

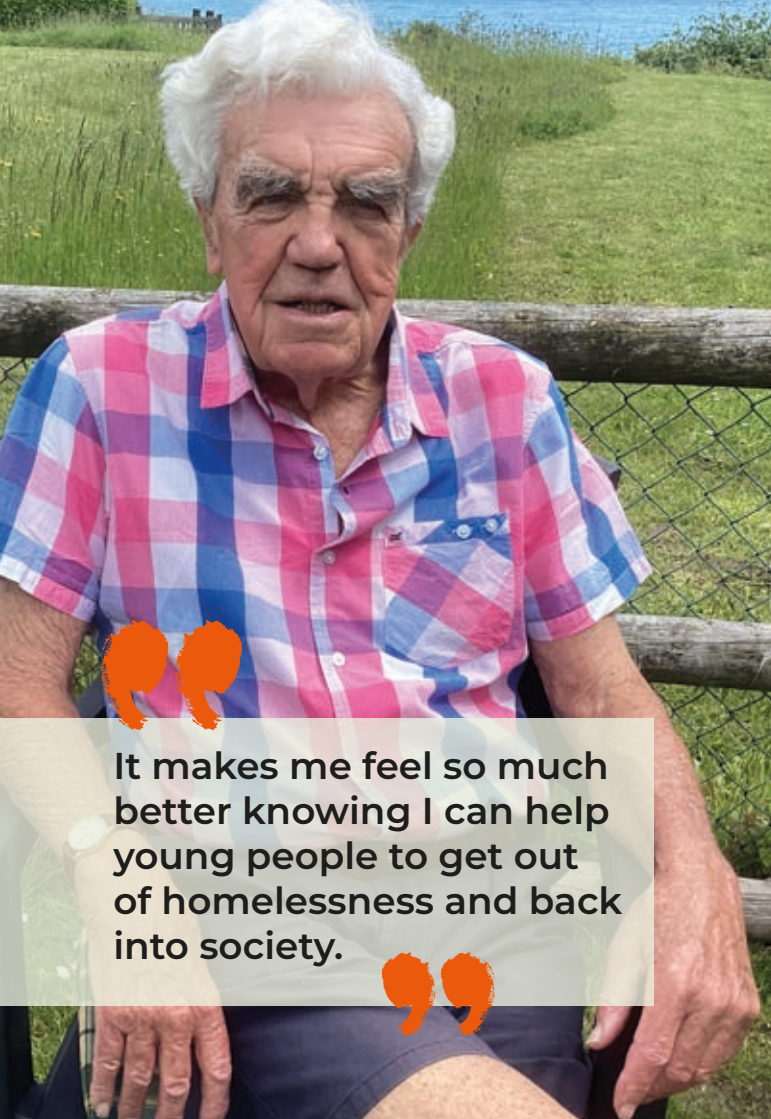
A young woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a blue denim jacket over a light blue turtleneck, is smiling and reading a book in a library. She is standing in front of tall white bookshelves filled with books. The lighting is bright and natural.

DEPAUL

Homelessness has no place

**GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE
A BRIGHTER FUTURE
WITH A GIFT IN YOUR WILL**





It makes me feel so much better knowing I can help young people to get out of homelessness and back into society.



Could you leave a gift in your Will?

After volunteering for the Dorset Youth Offending Team, Andrew Harvie-Clark decided to leave a gift in his Will.

“Volunteering for the Dorset Youth Offending team opened my eyes to the many problems facing young people today and homelessness.

“I’ve left Depaul UK a gift in my Will because I want to support young people experiencing homelessness to find accommodation and get the help they need to get a job and become self-sufficient.

“It makes me feel so much better knowing I can help young people to get out of homelessness and back into society.”



You can give young people hope

Thank you for showing an interest in leaving Depaul UK a gift in your Will.

At Depaul UK, we want to create a world where everyone has a safe place to call home and an active and positive role in their community. Where young people are not forced to sleep in unsafe places, and have futures filled with hope and promise. A world where they can thrive.

The young people who come to us have often experienced trauma, abuse or neglect. We can offer support in a crisis through our emergency accommodation Nightstop. We can help them find a safe and stable place to live while they begin to focus on their future; and we can work with them to build the skills they need for a brighter future. Whether it's mental health support, life skills, education, employment or training, we can meet young people where they're at, so they don't have to become entrenched in homelessness.

A gift in your Will, however large or small, strengthens our ability to deliver vital services so that young

people can receive the help they need to rebuild their lives and begin to realise their hopes and dreams. By leaving a gift in your Will you can give a young person the support they need to build a brighter future.

Your lasting legacy will help transform the lives of future generations of young people experiencing homelessness.

Thank you so much,



Alexia Murphy
Chief Executive Officer

We hope this booklet provides everything you need to help you decide if leaving a gift in your Will is right for you. If you have any questions, please email **julia.billington@depaulcharity.org.uk**





You can make a difference

Leaving a gift in your Will

Gifts in Wills provide vital income so we can continue to work tirelessly to prevent young people from ever experiencing the dangers of homelessness.

We do this by working with families to rebuild broken relationships, and teaching children about the risks so they know where to turn for help. We provide stability, dignity and renewed hope for young people in need. We provide programmes of support to young people that build resilience, wellbeing and an achievable path towards independence.

Your legacy will ensure every young person has the chance to not just survive, but to thrive.

Many people choose to leave a gift that helps young people in our services, wherever the need is greatest. However, if you would like your gift to be used to support a particular service, you can specify this in your Will.

If this is something you wish to do, please contact **julia.billington@depaulcharity.org.uk** to discuss your intentions so we can ensure your needs are met.

Legal considerations

Please also ensure that you speak to your financial or legal advisor for advice on inheritance tax. Inheritance tax is not payable on charitable gifts and if you make a gift of 10% or more from your estate to charity, the inheritance tax liability can be reduced from 40% to 36%.

When it comes to writing your Will or updating your existing Will, we recommend you seek legal advice.

Next steps

Your Will is a personal matter and we appreciate that family and friends come first. However, even leaving a small percentage of your estate could make a significant difference to the life of a young person experiencing homelessness.

On the following pages, you will find information about how to leave a gift in your Will to Depaul UK. We hope this will help you decide which type of gift is appropriate for you.

Different ways to leave a gift in your Will

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RESIDUARY GIFT

This type of gift is a percentage share of your estate after tax, expenses, and all other gifts in your Will have been paid. You can leave the residue to one beneficiary or share it amongst several. All the other bequests will be settled before the residuary gifts are made. If you decide a residuary gift is right for you, here's an example of how your Will could be worded:

'I give a X% share of the residue of my estate to Depaul UK (registered charity no. 802384) of Sherborne House, 34-36 Decima Street, London, SE1 4QQ for its general purposes.'

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PECUNIARY GIFT

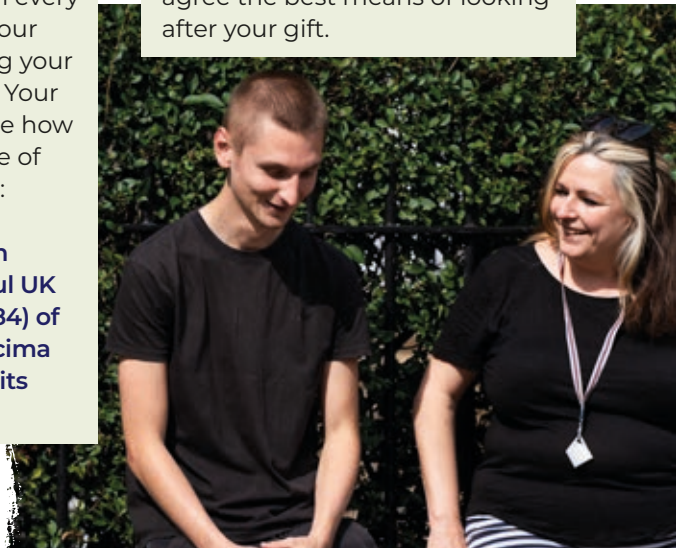
A pecuniary gift in your Will is a specified amount of money. You can leave any chosen sum. However, when making a gift of this kind it is worth taking inflation into consideration – either by reviewing your Will every few years, or index-linking your cash gifts (essentially, linking your gifts to the rate of inflation). Your solicitor will be able to advise how to do this. Here's an example of wording for a pecuniary gift:

'I give the sum of [amount in figures and words] to Depaul UK (registered charity no. 802384) of Sherborne House, 34-36 Decima Street, London, SE1 4QQ for its general purposes.'



SPECIFIC GIFT

If you would like to leave a specific gift, such as a personal possession, land, building or shares, we would be incredibly grateful if you could please let us know, so that together we can agree the best means of looking after your gift.



Free Will writing service

in partnership with Farewill

We have partnered with Farewill so you can make or update your Will for free in three easy steps.

- 1. Answer simple questions:** the Farewill online journey makes writing a Will quick and easy. You can do it from the comfort of your own home in just 15 minutes.
- 2. Get the Will approved by specialists:** the Farewill online Will writing service includes specialist checking to make sure your wishes are clear – and it only takes up to five days.
- 3. Print and sign your Will:** After writing your Will and getting it checked by the Farewill specialists, you need to print and sign it in front of two witnesses to make it legally binding. You can download your Will to print at home, or Farewill can print it for you.

By including a gift to Depaul UK you'll be helping us to do everything we can to provide young people at risk of homelessness with a safe place to call home, a chance to thrive and a brighter future.

 To find out more or get started

scan the QR code with phone



Already have a Will?

If you have already made a Will and would now like to include a gift to Depaul UK, we advise that you speak to your solicitor.

We always advise that you speak to your solicitor when writing or re-writing your Will.

Letting us know your plans

We understand that the contents of your Will are a private matter and that your wishes may change over time. However, should you wish to let us know of your intention to leave a gift to Depaul UK, we would very much like to take the opportunity to thank you.

You can let us know if you are planning to leave a gift in your Will to Depaul UK by using our Intention Form on the next page. Anything you tell us is not legally binding and does not commit you to leaving a gift.

Thank you.



We are delighted to have partnered with Farewill to offer you this free Will writing service.



Kristina Hedderly-Perez

Executive Director of Fundraising & Communications
Depaul UK





Let us know

Thank you for considering to support Depaul UK with a gift in your Will

If you would like to let us know that you intend to leave a gift to Depaul UK, please complete this form and return a scan of it by email to **julia.billington@depaulcharity.org.uk** or send it to the address detailed below.

This intention is not binding and does not commit you to leaving a gift.

Name:

Address:

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..... Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

Signature:

Date:

We'd really like to say thank you to you, and let you know about the impact of our work. Please tick if you want to share your intention with us.

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I intend to leave a gift in my Will to Depaul UK

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I have already included Depaul UK in my Will

Please return to:

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Thank you for your support.



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