

**Leukaemia
Foundation®**

A gift in your Will

A future gift to beat blood cancer



Thank you for thinking of us

Thank you for your interest in leaving a gift in your Will to beat blood cancer.

The Leukaemia Foundation is one of Australia's most reputable charities, with a proud history of serving people living with blood cancer. A gift in will to the Leukaemia Foundation ensures people affected by blood cancer receive the care and support they need, as and when they need it. This translates to an investment in breakthrough research, and can also help patients access the latest screening, treatments and clinical trials.

A gift in your Will has the power to extend and save lives. All gifts, large and small, are an important step towards our shared goal of zero lives lost to blood cancer by 2035.

Whether you have a personal connection to the Leukaemia Foundation, or share our unwavering commitment to improve the lives of people living with blood cancer, your consideration of a gift in will is whole-heartedly appreciated. Your Will is a statement about the values you wish to carry on into the future, and we are here to support you throughout the process.

When it comes to your Will, it's important to look after those who are close to you. Once your loved ones are taken care of, a provision in your Will to protect the health and well-being of fellow Australians is an honourable act of kindness.

Thank you for taking the time to read how your gift can deliver better outcomes for more than 135,000 Australians living with blood cancer. This booklet addresses many of the frequently asked questions around supporting the Leukaemia Foundation through a gift in will.

With almost 20,000 people diagnosed each year, and many more projected in the future, you can be assured your gift will be truly transformational.

“The Leukaemia Foundation relies on donations from our kind-hearted supporters, so we can go above and beyond for people living with blood cancer. Gifts in wills are a critical funding source for the Leukaemia Foundation’s work, from delivering practical services and emotional support to breakthrough research and advocacy. Your legacy will ensure the Leukaemia Foundation delivers sustainable impact, now and into the future.”



Chris Tanti
CEO
Leukaemia Foundation

How your gift in will helps

The devastation of a blood cancer diagnosis is a heart-breaking reality for so many Australian families. From dealing with the initial shock, to uprooting their lives to undergo treatment, the impact on patients, carers and families is enormous. Blood cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death after lung cancer and the third most diagnosed type of cancer in Australia.

The incidence of blood cancer is growing and expected to nearly double in the next twelve years. There are no screening programs available and no way to prevent it through lifestyle change. Sadly, one in three people diagnosed with a blood cancer will not survive five years after diagnosis.

The Leukaemia Foundation exists to ensure every person living with blood cancer receives the vital support they desperately need across their entire blood cancer journey. It is only through the generosity of supporters that essential patient support services, advocacy and ground-breaking research are made possible.

Your gift will provide:

- Accommodation while undergoing treatment.
- All-important investment in breakthrough research.
- Financial assistance for essential out of pocket expenses when needed at such a critical time.
- Psychosocial support for patients and carers to empower and enable survival.
- Information and advice about all aspects of care available face-to-face or virtual, in print and online.
- Improved access to clinical trials years in advance of full availability.
- Transport services to and from treatment.



Matthew and Rochelle, Health Services team

Essential services for patients and families

Gifts in wills ensure the Leukaemia Foundation can provide patients with equitable access to critical services, regardless of their location, language or situation.

The devastating impacts of blood cancer are more than physical and take a heavy emotional and financial toll on patients and families. Especially those already experiencing economic hardship or living far away from treatment centres. Targeted services that provide relief and support, from accommodation and financial assistance, to counselling and support groups, reduce the burden of blood cancer. These services are provided at no cost to patients, and are only made possible through the generosity of our donors.

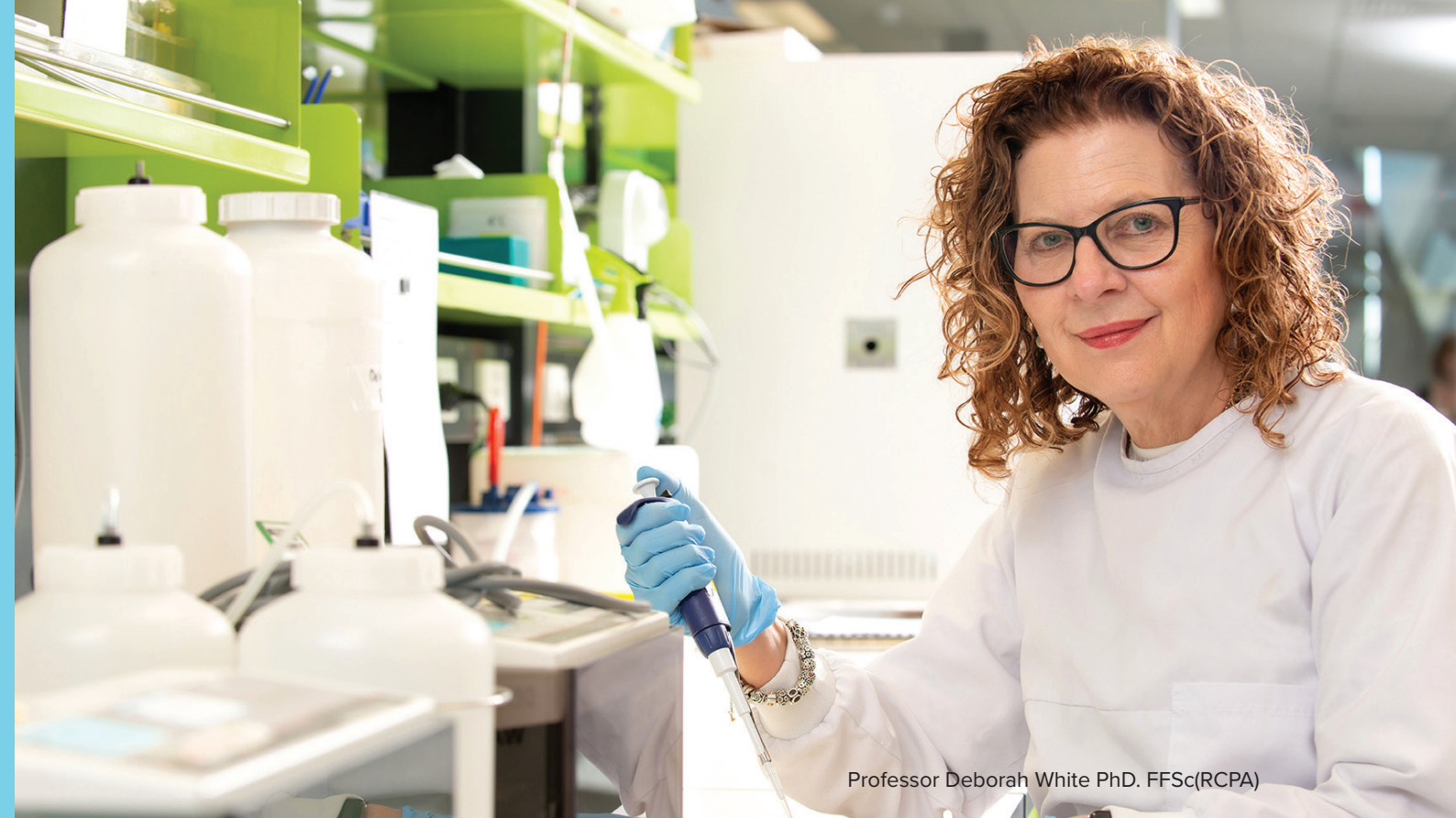
Transforming the future of Australia's blood cancer landscape

To change the future of blood cancer for the next generation, investment in research innovation is critical. Breakthroughs can come from any area of research which is why the Leukaemia Foundation funds a broad range of projects. These projects help improve the speed and accuracy of diagnosis, better understand the causes of blood cancer, develop cutting-edge treatments, and provide patients access to the newest therapies through clinical trials.

Since 2000, our incredible supporters have enabled us to commit \$57.8 million into high impact research programs. For every \$10 of funding to the blood cancer research community, \$1 was provided by the Leukaemia Foundation. Together, we can do more to fund the breakthroughs of tomorrow.



By including a gift in your Will,
you are investing in the lives of
people living with blood cancer
and working towards a blood
cancer-free future.



Professor Deborah White PhD. FFSc(RCPA)

Gifts in wills underpin leading-edge research

The Leukaemia Foundation was honoured to be remembered by the late Florence Brown and the late Edward Rhoades in their respective Wills. Their kind gifts are supporting Professor Deborah White and her team at the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute, as they conduct research to improve treatment outcomes and introduce a more personalised approach to care for patients with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL).

Professor White says, “The generous support of the Leukaemia Foundation’s gift in will supporters has ensured essential funding has been directed to my laboratory for our ALL research. These funds are vital for us to progress our research as rapidly as possible to truly make a difference for people with ALL.”

A family legacy for change

Pam Ganly was inspired to leave a gift in her Will after seeing her parents support the Leukaemia Foundation from its formation in 1975. Pam is honouring her parents' lives by continuing their noble spirit in the fight against blood cancer.

Pam said, “Even though their lives had not been directly affected, they understood blood cancer caused devastation for many families and knew money was desperately needed for research and patient support. I think my parents would be delighted to know I’m following in their footsteps.”

Pam’s decision to include a gift in her Will to the Leukaemia Foundation is a powerful way to make a difference and will ensure her values will live on into the future.



“It gives me a good feeling to know I’m helping, even after I’ve gone.”

Pam Ganly

Honouring a life

Tom and Lindy Barton are committed to supporting fellow families affected by blood cancer, now and into the future.

The Bartons called a Leukaemia Foundation accommodation centre home while their daughter Carly underwent treatment for lymphoma.

Sadly, Carly passed away just after her 17th birthday. But for Tom and Lindy, the opportunity to help future families going through a difficult time is a positive way to make a difference.



“We are not wealthy people, so a gift in will is a perfect way to honour our Carly’s life and make a meaningful difference in the lives of other families who need the same incredible support we received.”

Tom and Lindy Barton

Gift in will FAQs

I don't have much to give, is a gift in my Will still suitable for me?

Whether your gift is large or small it will be gratefully received. Even 1% of your estate will make a valuable contribution towards supporting people affected by blood cancer.

What do people typically give?

Gifts in wills can be a specific monetary value, property, or a percentage of an estate or a share portfolio. Gifts we have received in the past include:

- 10% share of the whole estate
- 25% share of the residue of the estate
- 25% of a share portfolio
- A specific monetary gift (e.g. \$10,000)

Who do I need to tell about my gift?

Consider speaking with your loved ones about your plans to leave a gift in your Will and discuss with them why our work is important to you.

Do I need to tell the Leukaemia Foundation that I have left a gift in my Will?

If you have decided to leave a gift in your Will, we would love to hear from you. Knowing about these gifts can help us to plan for the future and also allow us to say “thank you” during your lifetime.

How to include a gift in your Will

To include the Leukaemia Foundation in your Will, we suggest the following wording:

“I give and bequeath free of all duties (here state the amount/percentage or share/residue or assets to be gifted) to **THE LEUKAEMIA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA LIMITED** **ABN: 57 057 493 017** absolutely for the general charitable purposes of the said Foundation and I direct that a receipt of the proper officer for the time being of The Leukaemia Foundation of Australia Limited shall be a good and sufficient discharge to my trustee/s.”

If you already have a Will, you might consider adding a gift to the Leukaemia Foundation through a codicil, an extra clause to amend an existing will.

Our details:

Legal name: Leukaemia Foundation of Australia Limited
ABN: 57 057 493 017

Registered address: 213-217 St Pauls Terrace, Fortitude Valley
QLD 4006

We recommend you seek independent legal advice when completing or updating your Will.



We're here to help

We understand that including a gift in your Will is a decision you will want to carefully consider. Please contact our Senior Philanthropy Manager on (08) 8169 6051 or giftinwill@leukaemia.org.au to learn more about how you can make a difference for patients, families and the fight against blood cancer.

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Turrbal and Yuggera Country

The Leukaemia Foundation acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and recognises their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

www.leukaemia.org.au/make-a-donation/leave-a-gift-in-your-will