

*I've always been interested in hospice care. My much-loved godmother died in hospice care in Wellington, so when I moved to Auckland in 2017, it seemed only natural to volunteer at Te Korowai Atawhai Mercy Hospice. Volunteering turned into managing the patient service volunteers, and from there I developed a deep love for Mercy. I am in absolute awe of the care that the staff give to the patients, but I also see the constant struggle to raise enough funds to continue providing that care at no cost to our patients. Because I know just how important this service is, I knew that I needed to step up and do what I could. Yes the work I do is*

*important, but I also want to be sure, long after I have departed this world, that Mercy Hospice will still be able to continue its amazing mahi. It feels a privilege to have left a gift to Mercy Hospice in my Will.*



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A gift in your Will  
*Waiho he taonga i roto i to wira,  
to ohooho whakamutunga*



*In 2009, my late wife, Carol was a patient at Mercy Hospice. What stood out for me about our experience was the personal touch, clear communication and all those warm fuzzies. I'm choosing to leave a gift to Mercy Hospice in my Will to express gratitude for the wonderful care that was given to Carol and me during such a difficult time. My hope is that my gift will make it possible for more people to experience the same level of care and support that we did.*



Allan Taylor

*I have included Mercy Hospice in my Will as it's a cause very dear to my heart. Having experienced the care provided to both my mother Vera and life-partner Jim, hospice was a life raft at a very stormy time. Mercy cared for Jim in the last two weeks of his life. I know he felt very cared for in that time. He had a wonderful sense of humour and appreciated that staff took their time to joke with him. It was the best place he could be. Even with friends and family around it was a lonely journey at times and Mercy was an important pillar in our support system. I'm happy that one day my legacy will help soften somebody else's journey.*



Frances Lucca

## About Te Korowai Atawhai Mercy Hospice

For over 40 years, Mercy Hospice has been providing a range of specialist palliative care services for people in Auckland facing life-limiting illnesses, caring for them with clinical expertise, compassion and quality of service. We also offer support and education to family, friends and carers to help them cope with problems arising from the illness. We have a 13-bed Inpatient Unit based in Ponsonby and we care for more than 300 patients in the community at any given time. Our services are provided free to patients and their families, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



## The impact of a gift in your Will

Without the support of our community, Mercy Hospice would not be able to operate. Including a gift to Mercy Hospice in your Will helps to ensure our services remain free-of-charge for people in Auckland, for generations to come.

No matter the size, a gift in your Will helps to improve the quality of life for our patients and their whānau through the provision of support, including:

- doctors, nurses and physical therapists,
- counselling and bereavement support, spiritual and cultural support,
- medical equipment and supplies, symptom-relieving medications.

This is a special way to continue your support of Mercy Hospice and make a lasting difference in your community.

## Your Will, your wishes

Your Will is a clear record of the way in which you want your possessions, property and money to be distributed when you're gone. A Will brings peace of mind that you have left a legacy for your loved ones, as well as the causes you care about. As a Will is a legal document, we recommend you seek professional assistance from a solicitor to ensure that your wishes are correctly recorded.

### Suggested wording for your Will:

*"I give to Mercy Hospice Auckland (registered charity number CC31621) for its general purposes, the residue of my estate (or % share of the residue of my estate) (or the sum of \$) (or description of assets or property) for which the receipt of the Chief Executive or other proper officer shall be an absolute discharge to my Trustees."*

If you choose to leave a gift to Mercy Hospice, there are a variety of options:

### 1. Residuary gift

You can gift the remainder of your estate, or a percentage of the remainder of your estate, after your debts and estate administration costs have been paid and your loved ones have been provided for. This is the best way to keep your gift inflation-proof.

### 2. Pecuniary gift

You can choose to gift a specific amount of money.

### 3. Specific gift

You can gift a specific item of value, such as a vehicle or house.

If you already have a legal Will and wish to include a gift to Mercy Hospice, your solicitor can help you add a Codicil to your existing Will.

*We would appreciate the opportunity to thank you for your generosity. Please let us know if you have included a gift to Mercy Hospice in your Will by filling in this form and returning it to us in the Free Post envelope provided. In doing so, you will become part of a very special group of valued supporters.*

- Yes, I have already included Mercy Hospice in my Will.
- Yes, I intend to include Mercy Hospice when I make or revise my Will.
- I'd like to discuss this further, please contact me.

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