

Caring for future generations.



A gift in your Will



***“You matter because you are you,
and you matter to the end of your life.
We will do all we can do
not only to help you die peacefully,
but also to live until you die.”***

Dame Cicely Saunders

Nurse, physician, writer, and founder
of the hospice movement (1918-2005)

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Remembering Mercy Hospice in your Will

For the past 40 years, with the support of people like you, Mercy Hospice has provided a range of specialist community palliative care and hospice services for people facing life limiting illnesses.

We also offer support to family, friends and carers to help them cope with problems arising from the illness of their loved one.

Your gift will provide comfort and care

Your planned gift, be it modest or substantial and not forgetting to remember your family first, will make a significant difference to the lives of others by helping to provide;

- specialist care to over 300 patients at any given time
- contribute towards the funding of 13 bedrooms
- support families and caregivers attending the weekly Manaaki Programme
- counselling, spiritual and cultural support for patients and families
- education and training to individuals and groups who deliver palliative care to the community of Auckland

By remembering Mercy Hospice in your Will you will help to ensure that hospice care remains free of charge to people in Auckland.

Our commitment to you

We promise to use your gift for the purpose for which it was given.

You can be assured that information about your donations will be handled with respect and with confidentiality unless otherwise stated by you.

We will keep you informed of our mission and provide access to our annual financial statements.

We will keep you updated on the services we provide, many of which are made possible with gifts like yours.

We promise that we will use donations wisely so that they have the greatest impact on our care of future generations.

Our Mission

Through service, advocacy and education, Mercy Hospice is committed to ensuring that all those in our community needing palliative care receive it with the utmost professional skill and respect.

Our Values

Tapu o te tangata **Dignity**
Aroha **Compassion**
Whakanui **Respect**
Mahi rangatira **Quality**
Aroha ki te rawa kore **Advocacy**
Kaitiakitanga **Stewardship**

Your Will, your wishes

Your Will is a unique and clear record of the way in which you want your possessions, property and money (your estate) to be distributed when you die.

A signed, correctly worded Will brings peace of mind as you know that you have remembered your loved ones, as well as the charities you choose to support after your death.

As a Will is a legal document, we strongly recommend you seek professional assistance from a solicitor or a trustee company, to ensure that your wishes are clearly and correctly recorded.

There are a variety of options available to you. Your gift can be:

- **Residuary** – the remainder of your estate after provisions for family and other beneficiaries have been settled
- **Percentage** – of the value of your estate
- **Pecuniary** – a specific sum of money
- **Specified Bequest** – a particular item, such as a vehicle or a house.

You have a choice of where you would like your bequest to be allocated:

- Gifts left to Mercy Hospice are allocated to the hospice's operational budget and are used to fund patient care and large capital projects.
- Gifts left to Mercy Hospice Foundation are invested in perpetuity, providing financial sustainability and security for the care of patients in the future. Every year interest from this fund contributes directly towards our palliative care services.

Suggested wording for your Will:

"I give to Mercy Hospice, 61 College Hill, Ponsonby, Auckland the sum of \$..... or (percentage of my estate, or the remainder of my estate, or a description of assets or property) for the general purpose of patient care, for which the receipt of the Chief Executive or other proper officer shall be full and sufficient discharge to my trustees."

Charities Commission # **CC31621**

If you would like to discuss leaving a gift in your Will to Mercy Hospice, please contact our Grants & Bequests Coordinator **Renee Pickering**.

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Your gift will make a difference

Would you like to receive more information on the way in which Mercy Hospice bequests are managed and the impact your bequest could make? Or have you already included Mercy Hospice as a beneficiary in your Will?

Please complete the questions that are relevant to you and post the form back to us in the FreePost envelope provided. Your support of our patient care is extremely valued – thank you.

All information we receive is strictly confidential.

- Yes, I have already mentioned Mercy Hospice in my Will.
- I intend to include Mercy Hospice when I next revise my Will.
- I would consider including Mercy Hospice in my Will and would like to receive more information.
- I do not have a Will.
- I have written a Will but have chosen not to mention a charity at this time.

First name:

Surname:

Address:

Suburb:

City:

Postcode:

Phone:

Email:

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