

Make your Will

leave a lasting legacy of help

About NCBI

NCBI (National Council for the Blind of Ireland) is a not for profit charitable organisation, which offers support and services nationwide to people who are experiencing sight loss. There are currently over 15,500 people using NCBI services. Of these, 5% are totally without sight, while 95% have varying degrees of usable vision.

The mission of NCBI is to enable people who are blind or vision impaired to overcome the barriers that impede their independence and participation in society. We provide a wide range of services including counselling, training, library services, resource centres and employment advice to help accomplish this mission.

To provide these much needed services, we need to continually raise funds and that's where you can help.

How can I leave a legacy in my Will to NCBI?

When making a will it is advisable to seek the help of a solicitor.

There are 4 different types of legacy gifts you can make:

A Pecuniary Gift

This is a gift of a specified amount of money.

A Specific Gift

This is a gift of a specific item such as property, jewellery, stocks, shares or other valuables.

A Residuary Gift

This is remainder of your estate after all other gifts to family and friends have been distributed and outgoings have been resolved.

A Reversionary Gift

This is a gift in which a named person has access to the estate, which only reverts to the charity on the death of that person. For instance, the will states that a friend is allowed to live in your house until their death, when it will revert to the charity.

Preparing your Will

Providing for the future of your loved ones will be the most important part of your will. After that people often choose to remember their preferred charity, by making a donation.

Before you see your solicitor:

Make a list of your assets.

Make a list of what you want to leave and to whom.

Decide on who will be your executors (people who will administer your estate and carry out your instructions). These can be members of your family, a friend or solicitor. It should be someone with some knowledge of your affairs and who you can trust.

Sample Checklist

Calculate the estimated value of the following:

Property

Your Home

Furniture

Jewellery

Car

Paintings & Other Items

Financial

Bank Accounts & Building Society Accounts

Stocks and Shares

Pensions / Benefits

Life Assurance

Money Owed

Mortgage

Overdraft & Credit Card Debts

List of Benefactors

Your legacy can make a real difference!

Here are a few sample case studies to show how your legacy can help those who use our services:

Mary aged 61 has no sight, as she has glaucoma. She received support services from NCBI including learning how to get around safely and how to use computers. From being isolated, unmotivated and dependent, she is now independent, busy, participates in social activities and communicates with family and friends by email and skype.

John age 26 has diabetic retinopathy and was vision impaired living with relatives. He was unable to work as an electrician. After receiving support from NCBI he now lives independently has changed his career and has a busy social life.

These are just two of many thousands of people who have been helped by NCBI. In all cases, our charity have changed their lives for the better.

Pledge Form

Your generosity will help lives of people who are blind and vision impaired throughout Ireland and for that, we are extremely grateful.

Our Charity Number is: **CHY12673**.

Sample wording for legacy giving:

'I give devise and bequeath the sum of insert amount, ie. €500 (Five Hundred Euro) to the National Council for the Blind of Ireland for its general charitable purposes.'

Please check the relevant boxes:

I wish to support the work of NCBI in my Will.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please contact me with more information on how to leave a legacy to NCBI in my Will.

Please contact me with more information about NCBI's Services.

What a gift in your Will could do

We rely on legacy gifts to continue our much needed work. We hope you will consider contributing to help NCBI enable people who are blind or vision impaired to overcome the barriers that impede their independence and participation in society.

If you would like more information on leaving a legacy, please call us on: **01 8307033** or contact us at our registered address:

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