

Sample Bequest Language



Many thanks for your interest in making a bequest to Food From The Heart. We are pleased and heartened by your support of our organization and your desire to help keep our mission alive. To make a bequest you should consult with your attorney and ask for the appropriate clauses to be inserted into your will and/or memorandum of wishes.

We have set out below some sample clauses which may be useful to your attorney.

General Bequest:

“I give and bequeath the amount of \$_____ to Food From The Heart, located at 909 N. La Cumbre Rd, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.”

Percentage Bequest:

“I give and bequeath _____ % of the total value of my estate to Food From The Heart, located at 909 N. La Cumbre Rd, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.”

Bequest of a Residue:

“The residue and remainder of my estate, both real and personal, wherever situated, I give and bequeath to Food From The Heart, located at 909 N. La Cumbre Rd, Santa Barbara, CA 93105, to be used as the Board of Trustees directs.”

Designated Bequest:

“I give and bequeath to Food From The Heart, located at 909 N. La Cumbre Rd, Santa Barbara, CA 93105, the sum of \$_____ to be used for _____.” (specific program, project, etc.)

If you decide to use this clause, it would be prudent to add a contingency clause saying, “Should the program no longer be needed, the bequest may be used as the Board of Trustees determines”

Please note the above clauses are samples only, and you should obtain your own legal advice on these matters. Everyone’s circumstances are different and your estate planning needs to be tailored accordingly.

Again, thank you so much for all you have done and continue to do for our organization. If you do decide to include us in your will, please let us know so that we can formally recognize your generosity.