Leaving a Bequest to Trinity College Dublin

Information for UK Donors

Inspiring Generations
The Campaign for Trinity College Dublin
Introduction

Thank you for considering leaving a bequest to Trinity College Dublin. A gift in your will could make a significant and lasting contribution, helping Trinity inspire generations far into the future. The College asks that gifts and legacies to support Trinity College Dublin that originate in England and Wales are made to The London Trust for Trinity College Dublin (registered with the Charity Commission under registered charity number 280693) (the “London Trust”) which is the University’s philanthropic arm in the UK.

As a registered charity in England and Wales all gifts to the London Trust will be exempt from Inheritance Tax. Additionally, in cases where 10% or more of the net value of your estate is left to a qualified charity, the rate of inheritance tax payable is reduced from 40% to 36%.

To ensure a gift can be efficiently transferred to the London Trust, please find overleaf sample formats for inclusion in a will. Please note all sample wording is for information purposes only and should not be relied upon as legal advice. In all cases, we recommend that you consult your solicitor who will be able to advise you in light of your own particular circumstances.
For a Residuary Gift

"I give the whole (or a share: e.g. one half; one third) of the residue of my estate to The London Trust for Trinity College Dublin (registered charity number 280693) to be used for the general charitable purposes of Trinity College Dublin."

For a Financial Gift

"I give the sum of £______________(in figures and words) to The London Trust for Trinity College Dublin (registered charity number 280693) to be used for the general charitable purposes of Trinity College Dublin."

For a Specific Asset

"I give my _________________________________________ (full description of item and its location) to The London Trust for Trinity College Dublin (registered charity number 280693) to be used for the general charitable purposes of Trinity College Dublin."

There should also be a declaration that "The receipt of a person who appears to be a proper officer of Trinity Foundation shall be a discharge to my Executors."

Reversionary Legacy

The wording above should be adapted to suit your particular needs and wishes.
Adding a Codicil to your Existing Will

If you have a will already in place, the easiest way of adding a gift to Trinity College Dublin is to use a codicil. A codicil is a document that amends, rather than replaces, your will. The example wording below can be used by you or your solicitor to amend your existing will.

"I [name] of [address and postcode] declare this to be a (first/second) codicil to my will dated [date]. In addition to any legacies given in my will, I give to The London Trust for Trinity College Dublin (registered charity number 28069) the sum of £ (in figures and words) (or % share of my residuary estate/specific item) to be used (insert) and I declare that the receipt of a person who appears to be a proper officer of Trinity Foundation shall be a discharge to my Executors."

Signed_______________________ Date________________________

Witnessed by: (Two witnesses are needed in England, Wales and Northern Ireland; one witness in Scotland)

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If you wish to make a gift to a specific area or School in Trinity College, please amend the clause accordingly. We recommend that you contact us, in confidence, to discuss your intentions and to ensure that we understand and can act on your wishes.

We would also recommend that the following wording is included in your Will to prevent any gift to The London Trust for Trinity College Dublin failing in the event of a change of name for the charity in the future –

"If a charity benefiting under this Will has changed its name or a successor charity has been established to take over the undertaking of the charity or the charity has merged with another charity by the date of my death, the legacy to it in this Will, will take effect as a gift to the charity in its new name or to the successor charity or will take effect as a gift to the charity resulting from the merger."

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