

# Give through your local Foundation and make an impact



Leaving a gift in your will

"I would like to give back to my local community through my Will and help future generations"

"Small things do make a difference and as Ann always said, these grants, small though they may be in value make important differences to the projects they are supporting."

Jimmy, The Ann McGeeney Fund



If this quote strikes a chord with you, or your family, the Community Foundation for Northern Ireland have over 40 years' experience supporting generous people at all value levels and stages on their giving journey.

Once you have made provision for family and loved ones, a gift to your community through your Will, can make a big impact and the Community Foundation can help you.

You can start, or continue your tradition of giving to causes and people that matter to you by giving through your personal legacy. Such special gifts are essential fuel to continue the important and beneficial work in your community, now and in the future.

Making a donation to your community, establishing a fund in your family name, or in memory of a loved one to support the causes and places you care about, giving in an effective and efficient way through your Will.

Through a gift in your Will you can:

- Say thank you
- Remember someone or someplace special
- Make sure local issues continue to receive support
- Help people in your community who are less advantaged
- · Leave a legacy in your family name
- Ensure a number of charities are supported if you don't want to specify one charity
- Give in an effective and efficient way

Along with your solicitor or professional advisor we can provide surety that your legacy gift will make the impact you want. The Community Foundation is a local independent charitable trust, regulated by the Charity Commission and managed by a board of Trustees. For over 40 years we have advised on giving in NI and managed charitable funds on behalf of donors.

Our permanent endowment ensures that we will exist in perpetuity.

We will answer all of your practical questions and ensure your pledges are respected and wishes fully enacted.

#### Types of Gifts in Wills

Whether residuary, pecuniary or a specific legacy, your solicitor will advise you. The Foundation is able to manage legacies of all kinds and we are flexible in how we can carry out your wishes. Gifts in cash, shares, land, property or other assets can be accepted and made tax efficiently through us.

#### **Tax Benefits**

If you leave 10% or more of the net value of your estate in your will to charity, the rate of inheritance tax (IHT) will be reduced from 40% to 36%. Your accountant will be able to advise further.

#### Letter of Wishes

If you are intending to leave a gift through the Foundation, you may wish to consider including guidance to us in your Letter of Wishes. A sample Letter of Wishes can be downloaded from our website at communityfoundationni.org

### **Match Funding**

From time to time the Foundation has access to match funding, to speak in confidence about this option or leaving a gift to your community in your Will please contact us.

Thank you for considering leaving a Gift in your will to your local community.

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