

## Leaving a Legacy ...

Sharing, supporting and helping others are what Food & Friends is all about. You can be a part of this great mission and make a crucial, rewarding difference in the lives of seniors in our community, so that no senior ever goes hungry!

### **The Bequest**

The charitable bequest affords a way for virtually anyone to express specific philanthropic wishes. In fact, the bequest is the most frequently utilized method to support charity in America.

A bequest may take on a number of forms, including naming:

- A specific dollar amount,
- A percentage of the estate,
- Specific assets.

Your philanthropic spirit is given a voice when you express your wishes in a Will. If you would like more information, we invite you to call us at 541-664-6674. We would be happy to meet with you and your attorney or financial advisors.

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It may have started the first time we took a deep breath and blew out the candles, or perhaps it was when we gazed upon a lone star in a dark sky. We would quietly make a wish and take care to tell no one, in hopes that our wish would come true.

Wherever it began, the practice of keeping our most personal hopes and dreams to ourselves is a tradition that Americans, in large number, tend to revive when it comes to a final communication with friends and loved ones.

This final communication is called The Last Will and Testament. Regardless of how we've come to view this document, it is our final opportunity to give expression to our personal wishes.

### Giving Through Your Will

A bequest gift can be the most personally meaningful way for you to help the Food & Friends Program prosper far into the future. Your bequest is one of the simplest means of making a gift to Food & Friends.

### General Bequest

A **general bequest** directs that the charity receive a specified dollar amount. Example: "I give to the Food & Friends Program [specify a dollar amount]."

### Specific Bequest

A **specific bequest** is used to make a specific gift of property to a beneficiary. Example: "I give to Food & Friends all of my shares in XYZ stock."

### Residuary Bequest

A **residuary bequest** designates all or a portion of whatever remains after all debts, taxes, expenses and all other bequests have been paid. Example: "I give to Food & Friends 75% of the residue of my estate."

Any of these various types of bequests may be used to support the Food & Friends Program. Bequests can be in the form of an outright bequest or a named endowment where only the earnings of the fund are used to support the designated program. For example, if you wish to memorialize a cherished family member or friend, you can establish a named endowment that will provide support for an area of interest to you at the Food & Friends Program.



### Sample Bequest Language

#### Outright Gift

I give, devise and bequeath to the Southern Oregon Center for Community Partnerships, a non-profit corporation organized in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon, for the purpose of supporting the Food & Friends Program, a senior meals program headquartered in Central Point, Oregon

- a) The sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_;
- b) the following property \_\_\_\_\_;
- c) (\_\_\_\_\_% of) the rest, residue and remainder of my estate.

The property comprising this gift may, for investment purposes, be merged with any of the general investment assets of the Southern Oregon Center for Community Partnerships, but the gift shall be entered in the Center's books and records as the Food & Friends Fund, and shall always be so designated. The distributions from the fund shall be used to further the purposes of the Food & Friends Program.

*If you choose to name the Food & Friends Program as a beneficiary, please let us know of your plans. This will enable us not only to show our appreciation of your generosity, but also to include your support in planning for the future of the program.*

**Please contact Jane Whaley, Director of Development, if you have any questions at 541-423-1387 or 541-664-6674.**