



Samaritans

Compassion Integrity Justice

Your Lasting Legacy

Leaving a bequest to Samaritans



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Bequest Charter

It is our vision that together we will help vulnerable people in need in our community. When people like you trust us with a gift in your will, these are the assurances we make:

- We will always respect your privacy. We recognise and appreciate that your will is very personal to you.
- We realise that your family and loved ones always come first and we encourage you to discuss your intentions with them before leaving a gift in your will.
- We respect your choice to tell us if you have left a gift in your will to Samaritans. You are under no obligation to share this information with us. We do however find it useful if you do tell us, as it gives us the opportunity to personally thank you for leaving such a special gift to Samaritans.
- We recognise that it is your decision to leave a gift in your will to and you need to make it in your own time.
- We will act with integrity and will use your gift carefully so that it has the greatest impact for people in need.

We believe in creating communities where there is **love, peace, justice, reconciliation and dignity for all people.**

Samaritans is dedicated to providing unconditional support to children, women and men in our local region, so they have the opportunity to contribute and participate fully in community life.

Our work is not possible without the help of our generous supporter community and for that we thank you.

Samaritans began in Newcastle NSW in 1984 with a few key services including, emergency relief, a family centre and op shops.

We thank you for supporting our work.





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Samaritans Kinship Care program was founded from a bequest

The program supports grandparents who are raising their grandchildren, often as the grandchild's parents struggle with addiction, violence or other family breakdown.

"Bringing up children is always daunting but having to do it all again at our age, naturally we were worried.

From the moment we took our grandchildren into our home, the Kinship Care program was there to offer our family support. It was a very special person whose bequest set up this program, I can't imagine how my family's life would have been without it!"

Dorothy, supported by the Samaritans Kinship Care program

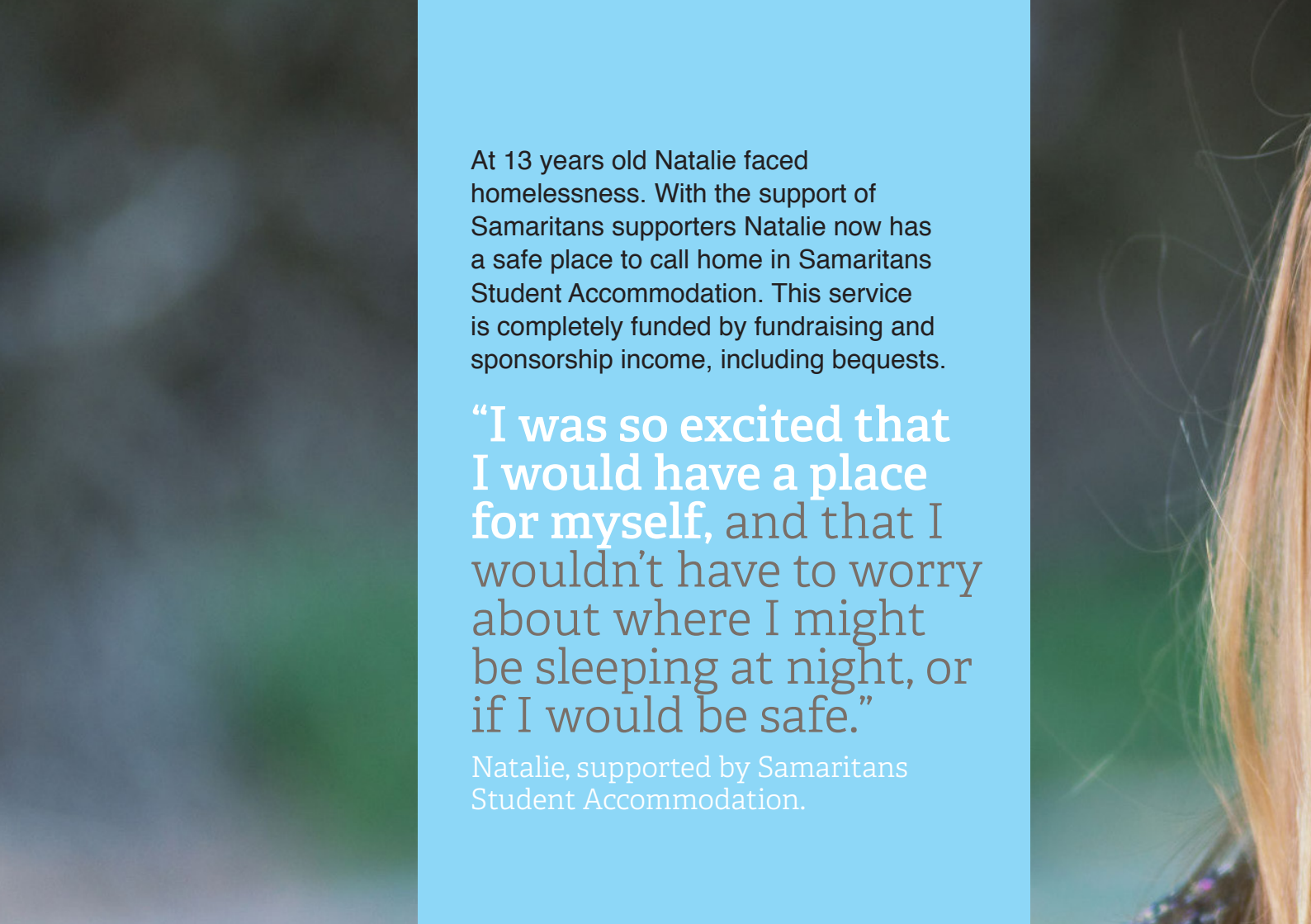
Your lasting legacy

By choosing to leave a bequest to Samaritans you are leaving a lasting legacy that reflects your values, wishes and beliefs.

The money we receive from gifts in wills goes to help vulnerable people with lifechanging support when they need it most.

A gift in your will could help us:

- House young people experiencing homelessness, so they can continue their education.
- Empower people with a disability to gain independence
- Support happy and healthy families
- Mentor those recently exiting prison to get their lives back on track
- Support grandparents raising their grandchildren



At 13 years old Natalie faced homelessness. With the support of Samaritans supporters Natalie now has a safe place to call home in Samaritans Student Accommodation. This service is completely funded by fundraising and sponsorship income, including bequests.

“I was so excited that I would have a place for myself, and that I wouldn’t have to worry about where I might be sleeping at night, or if I would be safe.”

Natalie, supported by Samaritans Student Accommodation.



A Bequest to Samaritans

Bequests are an important source of income for Samaritans. They are also the greatest commitment a supporter can demonstrate. Over the years, bequests have allowed Samaritans to evolve and meet the growing demand for our services and programs.

Whether large or small, every gift is greatly valued because it will help make a difference in someone's life.

There are several different ways of making a gift to Samaritans in your will. These include:

Residual: After family and friends have been provided for, and any financial commitments are paid for, the remainder of your Estate can be left to a charity.

Percentage or fraction: A percentage of the estate could be left to a charity.

Pecuniary or specific: A pecuniary or specific gift clearly specifies the donation. It could be money, property, stocks, shares, or an item.

Whole estate: This comprises your entire Estate.

Suggested wording for your will

The following words can be used to leave a gift to Samaritans in your will.

Specific gift (money)

“I give _____ dollars (\$) to The Samaritans Foundation for the purposes of The Samaritans Foundation and I declare that the receipt of such an amount by the CEO, Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge to my executors and without the need to see the application thereof.”

Specific Gift

“I give my (insert description of property) to The Samaritans Foundation for the purposes of The Samaritans Foundation and I declare that the receipt of such an amount by the CEO, Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge to my executors and without the need to see to the application thereof.”

Residuary Gift

“I give the residual of my estate to The Samaritans Foundation for the purposes of The Samaritans Foundation and I declare that the receipt of such an

amount by the CEO, Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge to my executors and without the need to see to the application thereof.”

Specific Projects

“I give my dollars (\$) to The Samaritans Foundation for **_____ for the purposes of The

Samaritans Foundation to alleviate disadvantage in my local community and I declare that the receipt of such an amount by its CEO, Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge to my executors and without the need to see to the application thereof.”

**insert:

- A specific Samaritans program or
- A general provision e.g. for “its work with homeless youth” or “supporting families in poverty”

After years of domestic violence Natasha was forced to leave her home in the middle of the night with her two young kids. With no family in the area she had nowhere to turn.

“Samaritans helped me with finding a home. They connected me to a support group full of amazing women in similar situations. They also provided counselling for my daughter.”

Natasha





Find out more

Please contact us if you would like to learn more about leaving a gift in your will to Samaritans.

Phone: (02) 4960 7100 or 1300 656 336

Email: mail@samaritans.org.au

If you have already included Samaritans in your will, we'd love to know about it so that we can thank you and keep you up-to-date with our work.

Thank you for your valuable support.



** Names have been changed throughout.*

Bequest Notification

- ☐ I have left a gift in my will to Samaritans
- ☐ I intend to leave a gift to Samaritans

I would like more information about:

- ☐ Leaving a gift in my will
- ☐ The specific programs of Samaritans

Title: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Suburb/City: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

- ☐ I would like to remain anonymous, please do not contact me

Please return to: Samaritans Foundation

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