Improving the lives of older people in Lincoln & South Lincolnshire

Thank you so much for considering leaving a gift in your will to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire. Your kindness could help make sure that we can be there to give vital support to older people for many years to come

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Leaving a legacy of kindness

How a gift in your will could help give people in Lincolnshire someone to turn to in later life.



You could help ensure that years from now, older people in Lincoln and South Lincolnshire can get the support they need.

I would like to offer my sincere thanks on behalf of the older people that Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire support. Choosing to leave a gift in your will would allow us to continue our work and make an enormous difference to those who we support.

Your gift could mean a lonely and isolated older person receives a friendly telephone call each week, or help someone access the advice and support that they need to stay in their beloved home, a gift left in your will could be a real lifeline to someone left struggling financially or emotionally.

As our population continues to get older, we will have to work harder to meet the needs and demands for our services.

Your compassionate gift could allow us to do that and to help older people to live in comfort and with the compassion that they deserve. It truly is a wonderful legacy to leave.

Thank you so much, once again

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Michele Jolly - Chief Executive Officer Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire



What should I write if I want to leave a gift?

If you choose to make your own will, the following wording would be appropriate to leave a legacy:

I hereby bequeath to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire Registered Charity No 1078539, 36 Park Street Lincoln, LN1 1UQ the sum of £...... free from all taxes and other fiscal impositions for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being shall be sufficient discharge for my executors.

If you are amending an existing will all you need is a simple codicil:

By this codicil to my last will I hereby bequeath to Age UK Lincoln &, South Lincolnshire Registered Charity No 1078539. 36 Park Street, Lincoln LN1 1UQ T the sum of £...... free from all taxes and other fiscal impositions for its general purposes and I direct that the Receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being shall be sufficient discharge for my executors.

If you wish to leave the residue of your estate to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire you could use the following wording:

I hereby bequeath all my estate, both real and personal what so ever and where so ever, subject to and after the payment of my debts and funeral and testamentary expenses and the legacies hereby or by any codicil hereto given, and all tax payable in respect of my estate, to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire Registered Charity No. 1078539 of 36 Park Street. Lincoln LN1 1UO

Finally, if you are leaving a gift to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire -Thank You.



Vision

A world in which older people flourish

Mission

To improve the lives of older people

A gift in your will can help us be there for the older people of Lincoln and South Lincolnshire

No one should have to spend later life feeling vulnerable with no one to turn to. Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire make sure older people are not forgotten or left to struggle alone. As our population gets older we will have to work harder to meet the increasing demand for our services. Your compassionate gift could allow us to do that - and to give older people the comfort, respect and support they deserve. It really is a wonderful legacy to leave.

You could help ensure that years from now, older people can get the support they need

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Befriending: A personal story



Brenda* was born in 1926 and moved to her current house, in the city centre of Lincoln, with her husband in 1961.

When we first approached Brenda she was very tearful and grieving for her husband. She was consistently short of breath, hard of hearing, had poor mobility and got very anxious which meant that she did not go out of the house very often.

A member of Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire's Information and Advice department visited Brenda to assist her with completing an Attendance Allowance claim form. During this visit, she consented to a referral being made to the Befriending Service.

After an initial telephone conversation, Brenda was introduced to a Befriending volunteer, also a widow, who would get along well with her due to their shared interests in knitting, animals and wildlife.

Brenda's Attendance Allowance claim was successful and she receives an extra £82.30 per week that "helps me to pay for the help I need."

She describes her befriender as "a lovely person, so friendly, I feel she is one of the family now after visiting me for nearly two years. I look forward to her visits.'

"It has made a vast difference, I feel less on my own and talk things over with her, she has helped me to be less of a worrier and I find that it helps to talk to someone not in my family sometimes about things."

*Our service users name has been changed

How to make or amend your will?

Leaving a gift in your will to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire couldn't be simpler. You can make sure your loved ones are looked after first and foremost as well as helping to ensure that Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire can be on hand to provide older people with the support, comfort and dignity they need for years to come.

- When making your will, it is good to start by drawing up a complete list of your assets and debts and then make a list of all of the people and good causes you would like to benefit from your will in preparation for meeting a solicitor.
- When you write or amend your will we recommend using a solicitor who can help to make sure that your wishes will be followed.
- Amending an existing Will to include a gift to Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire is relatively straightforward. Your solicitor can draught an amendment (called a codicil) for a minimal cost.

What types of gift can I leave in my will?

A residuary gift is a percentage of your estate once any specified gifts have been made to friends and family. Many of our supporters chose to leave this type of gift because it does not lose value over time and they can ensure that their loved ones are well-looked after first and foremost.

A pecuniary gift is a specific amount of money. It's worth bearing in mind that the effects of inflation over time and may end up being less than you initially intend.

A specific gift is a gift of a specified item - such as a personal possession, land buildings or stocks and shares.

Whatever the size of your gift, it could make an enormous difference to older people in years to come.