

Let us know

Once you have completed the formalities of leaving a bequest to Lifeline South Coast please let us know. You need only tell us as much information as you wish. You can, of course, remain anonymous if you choose.

We would like to show you - during your life time - just how much Lifeline South Coast appreciates your generosity. And it would be great to thank you personally, rather than the Executor of your Will.

You may have specific ideas on how you would like your gift to be used, and a discussion with us would ensure we could carry out your wishes.

The knowledge of your bequest gives Lifeline South Coast confidence in knowing the necessary financial resources will be available to provide people with care and support into the future.

for 24 hour telephone counselling,
just pick up the phone

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Lifeline Bequests

Giving for the future

Lifeline South Coast is there for
our community as life happens.

For more information or to
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will help our local community
to receive support and
care into the future.

Lifeline South Coast relies on community support
to continue providing vital services such
as 24 hour telephone counselling, suicide prevention
programs and mental health awareness.

Your bequest will make a difference.



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About Lifeline South Coast

Lifeline South Coast was established in Wollongong in March 1969 and the Nowra branch was opened in 1981.

We contribute to a national 24 hour telephone counselling service to ensure Lifeline is always available to our community. We also provide local suicide prevention programs and mental health awareness.

The Lifeline South Coast region runs from Helensburgh in the north to the Victorian border in the south. We are a local organisation, with a local Board, focusing on the local community.

Our Volunteer Telephone Counsellors come from a wide range of backgrounds and are fully trained to provide people with care and emotional support in their time of need.

On average, Lifeline South Coast receives approximately 12,000 calls a year. People call the Lifeline 24 hour telephone counselling service for many reasons. Some of them include:

- Family and relationship issues
- Mental health concerns
- Suicide prevention and support
- Abuse/violence
- Loneliness
- Grief

Lifeline South Coast relies on community support to continue providing these vital services. A bequest to Lifeline South Coast WILL help support this work.

Making a Will Matters

Making a Will is the only way to ensure your assets are distributed as you would like and that your loved ones are provided for. It is your final opportunity to express appreciation to family, friends and your preferred charity.

Regardless of your situation - married, single, working, retired, wealthy, poor, children or none - a valid Will is the only way to ensure your Estate is distributed in the manner you choose.

Making a Will is not difficult or expensive and you can update or change your Will at any time. The best time to make a Will is NOW!

If you are unsure about how to go about making or changing a Will, please contact a solicitor for advice.

Keeping Loved Ones Informed

It is usually the case that your assets are passed directly to your partner. For this reason, it is wise to consider and prepare your Will together.

You may like to share the contents of your Will, including bequests to your preferred charity, with other members of your family. It may be worthwhile to discuss your reasons for bequeathing a particular charity, what the charity does, what program you want to support or where the charity operates from.

What is a Bequest?

A bequest is a gift or donation made legally through your Will. There are several types of bequests including:

- **A Specific Bequest** - This specifies the type of gift, whether it is money, property, a life insurance policy or stocks and shares
- **A Percentage Bequest** - Is expressed as a percentage of your estate which takes inflation into account
- **Residual** - A gift of whatever is left of your estate after all your other gifts, taxes and debts have been fulfilled
- **The Whole Estate** - A bequest that comprises the entire estate and is usually left by those without a beneficiary

Bequests are not necessarily left by the very wealthy, but often by people who simply want to support their preferred charity's work into the future.

Every gift - whether large or small - made to Lifeline South Coast will help our local community to receive support and care into the future.

Wording Your Bequest

The wording you use in your Will is important. The wrong wording may mean that your assets are not treated as you intended. If in doubt, it is always best to seek advice from a solicitor.

If you wish to make a bequest to Lifeline South Coast, we suggest using the following:

- I give to Lifeline South Coast NSW (ABN 16 968 890 469), the sum of \$..... [or.....%] of my estate, free of State and Federal duties, for general use.
- If the gift in (A) cannot take effect completely or at all, to the extent that it cannot take effect I give it to the charitable organisation or organisations in Australia which my executors consider most nearly fulfils or fulfill the objects I intend to benefit.
- The receipt of the treasurer, secretary or public officer for the time being of the beneficiary organisation is an absolute discharge to my executor(s).