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LEAVING A LEGACY:

How to support
Care & Repair Edinburgh

A Helping Hand

Every year we deal with thousands of enquiries from older and/or disabled people in Edinburgh who need help at home. Most people want to remain in the comfort and security of their own home without having to move elsewhere. For over twenty years, we have been offering advice and practical assistance to make this possible.

Our assistance may take the form of handyman tasks like fitting door viewers or curtain rails. Or it could be something much larger like adapting the bathroom to make it more suitable for people with a mobility problem. Whatever is required Care and Repair try to help, either by carrying out work or finding someone else who can help.

You can help our valuable work by remembering us in your Will.

Why You Should Write a Will

Making a Will is the only way to ensure your assets go to the people and causes you care about most. If you die without making one, the laws of intestacy will decide how your estate is divided up, which will not take your intentions into account. Your estate will not necessarily pass automatically to your spouse in all cases, depending on its value and whether or not you have children or other relatives. You should seek professional assistance about making a Will, usually from a solicitor.

Legacies allow us to build a sustainable future for the organisation and our clients

Legacies

Leaving a legacy is a very personal matter, and of course your family and friends will come first. Just as a Will brings security to your family's future, a legacy can help us plan our future and develop our services to meet the needs of the growing number of older and/or disabled people who contact us daily.

Changing an Existing Will

You can update or change your Will at any time. A solicitor can advise on the best way to do this either by re-writing it or amending it (which may be called a codicil in legal language). It is a good idea to check your Will from time to time to ensure it is up to date and reflects your current wishes.




Inheritance Tax

Estates above a certain value are subject to Inheritance Tax on their net value, and legacies to charities like Care and Repair are exempt from tax. You should consult the Inland Revenue, your solicitor, or accountant when considering ways of reducing the tax burden on your estate.



Types of Legacies

There are different types of legacies which you may wish to consider. Care and Repair welcomes all gifts, large and small. The most common types of legacy are:

-  **RESIDUARY GIFT**
You can leave a percentage of your estate after other gifts and charges have been met, including taxes and expenses. This is probably the most efficient way to leave a gift because the value will not be eroded by inflation.
-  **PECUNIARY GIFT**
You can leave a fixed sum of money. To estimate how much you have to leave, you need to work out what you own, (the value of your estate including property, financial assets etc) and how much is left after what you owe is paid.
-  **SPECIFIC OR NON MONEY GIFT**
You can leave a personal possession, for example property, stocks and shares or other valuables.

You can make a real difference to the work of Care and Repair in Edinburgh by leaving a legacy to us in your will. Our charity relies on grants and donations, which help us with our day to day work.

£60

...will help us to buy and fit a keysafe as part of a Care package

£1000

...can help us provide support towards a much-needed bathroom adaptation

Your Legacy at Work

Mrs L in her late eighties had lived in her home for over 50 years and now lived alone. Due in particular to arthritis she was finding it increasingly difficult to use her bath, and the electrical wiring in the house was no longer safe. She did not want to move and came to Care and Repair for help. We arranged all the necessary work for Mrs L, whose house is now re-wired, with a new bathroom and walk-in shower.

Many thanks for all your help... I am delighted with my new shower... space was limited and with your guidance, not an inch was wasted. The workers were so considerate. Client

Mr S aged 85 suffers from severe mobility problems, has no family support and is totally reliant on social services. He would at best have had to remain in hospital or been transferred into another care setting if Care and Repair had not installed a key safe which allows his carers to get into his home each day. Social Worker

I wish to compliment your worker on his attitude and courtesy towards Mrs R. It was a pleasure to meet him. Relative



Over the years Mrs Black has called on Care and Repair to assist her with small DIY tasks around her home. Having someone to call on, to change a light bulb, hang curtains and fit security items has enabled Mrs Black to live more comfortably and safely in her own home.

No words can say how very grateful and thankful I am for Care and Repair, your Volunteer was kind and caring. Client

A very special thanks to the joiner who was so pleasant and friendly and did the job well. Client

Further information

For more information about making a legacy please contact:

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