

# Leaving a gift in your will

Having a valid will means that what you own goes directly to the people and causes you care most about. If you choose to remember The Thin Green Line Foundation, on behalf of rangers worldwide, we want to say a heartfelt thank you!

We recommend that you take this information with you when you visit your solicitor to make sure your will is administered precisely in accordance with your wishes.

There are a number of ways to support the work of rangers through The Thin Green Line Foundation and your will. You can:

- Include a percentage of the remainder of your estate (known as the residue). After you have provided for your friends and family, a small percentage, such as 5% or 10%, will make a huge difference. This type of bequest won't lose its value over time.
- Nominate a percentage of your estate that you would like Thin Green Line to receive, from 1% to 100%. This bequest will also keep its value over time.
- Leave a specific amount of money, real estate, shares etc. to Thin Green Line (known as a pecuniary bequest).

### Wording for your will

Below is the most effective wording to include a gift to the Thin Green Line Foundation in your will. Please take this with you when you visit your solicitor.

"I give, free of all duties and taxes \*\_\_\_\_\_ to the Thin Green Line Foundation (ABN 22 126 573 779) of 7/3056 Frankston-Flinders Road, Balnarring, Victoria 3926, (or its successor organisation), for its general purposes. An authorised receipt from the Thin Green Line Foundation will be a sufficient discharge for the executor(s) or trustee."

\*insert one of:

- the whole (or ...%) of the residue of my estate
- the whole (or ...%) of my estate
- the sum of \$(amount)
- or details of a particular asset such as shares or property

### Already have a will?

If you already have a will and would now like to include a bequest to Thin Green Line, all you have to do is make a "codicil". When you next see your solicitor just take a copy of our wording with you and they can simply update your existing will for you.

We'd love to hear from you! If you would like to **contact us** about leaving a gift in your will, please call (03) 8592 7947 or email <u>info@thingreenlien.org.au</u>.



## Information for solicitors and executors

#### **For solicitors**

Thank you for helping to make a will that includes a bequest to the Thin Green Line Foundation. Please see our suggested wording of a clause to include in the will (p1).

To make sure that your client's gift reaches us, it is important to:

- use our correct registered name: The Thin Green Line Foundation Limited
- include our ABN: 22 126 573 779

If your client would like their gift to be used for a specific purpose, please contact our office first to make sure their wishes can be carried out.

We would also like the chance to thank the will maker in person and invite them to join a community of other wonderful people who support us in this way. Please ask them to contact us directly on (03) 8592 7947 or info@thingreenline.org.au.

#### **For executors**

Thank you for making sure that someone's bequest to the Thin Green Line Foundation is properly administered. We'd be grateful if you could please send the following information to us:

- A covering note that includes your contact details, as well as the full name and last known address of the deceased person
- A copy of the final will and any codicils
- A statement of estate accounts

When you're ready to distribute the estate, please post a cheque made payable to The Thin Green Line Foundation to:

General Manager The Thin Green Line Foundation PO Box 45 Balnarring VIC 3926

Alternatively, you can contact us for the details required to make a bank transfer.

Please contact us on (03) 8592 7947 or info@thingreenline.org.au if you need any further information.