

Northwestern University

SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

Below are examples of suggested bequest wording which you may share with your legal counsel. Because each individual situation is unique, we encourage you or your legal counsel to contact the Office of Gift Planning for guidance on appropriate language to effectuate your charitable intentions, especially if you intend for your gift to be restricted for a specific use.

To the University, unrestricted:

"I give to Northwestern University, an Illinois corporation, Evanston, Illinois, the sum of \$_____ (or _____ percentage of my estate) to be used by Northwestern for its unrestricted purposes."

To a particular school or unit, unrestricted:

"I give to Northwestern University, an Illinois corporation, Evanston, Illinois, the sum of \$_____ (or _____ percentage of my estate) to be used for the benefit of the (school or unit of your choice) without further restriction.

If it is ever impossible, impracticable, or inadvisable to use the gift in the manner set forth above, then my gift shall be used in an alternative manner that honors as closely as practical my original intentions as specified above."¹

To a particular school or unit for a particular purpose:

"I give to Northwestern University, an Illinois corporation, Evanston, Illinois, the sum of \$_____ (or _____ percentage of my estate) to be used by (school or unit of your choice) for the support of _____."

If it is ever impossible, impracticable, or inadvisable to use the gift in the manner set forth above, then my gift shall be used in an alternative manner that honors as closely as practical my original intentions as specified above."¹

Legal Name: Northwestern University

Legal Address: 633 Clark Street, Evanston, IL 60208

Tax Identification No: 36-2167817

Please contact the Office of Gift Planning for assistance, especially if you plan to make a restricted bequest. We can help ensure that your legacy meets your objectives.

Phone: 800-826-6709

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¹ *This sentence is crucial to include if there is any restriction placed on the use of the gift.*