



NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR  
**Deaf & Hard of Hearing**



# Leaving your Legacy of Hope

Making a Bequest to the National Foundation  
for Deaf and Hard of Hearing

# Why make a bequest to the Foundation?

Making a bequest is one of the most valuable contributions you can make to support our work because it helps provide financial assurance for the future.

A gift in your Will lives beyond your own lifetime, and helps to ensure that New Zealanders with hearing loss or other hearing conditions, such as tinnitus or Auditory Processing Disorder (APD), have ongoing access to support.

We are most grateful for the bequests we receive. It is our responsibility to invest these donations prudently, to ensure the long-term future of our work.



*“We are so grateful to the people who kindly remember the Foundation in their Will. We wouldn’t be able to continue our vital work without them. Bequests help to ensure our long-term sustainability.”*

**Natasha Gallardo, Chief Executive,  
Living and working with hearing loss**

# Why is there a need for the Foundation?

Established in 1978, the Foundation advocates on behalf of and raises awareness for the one-in-six New Zealanders living with hearing loss.

National Foundation for Deaf and Hard of Hearing draws the community together to prevent hearing loss and improve the lives and futures of people who are deaf or have a hearing loss.

We advocate for vital services and hearing healthcare, we listen to New Zealanders and undertake research, and we educate people about the risks of hearing loss and how to protect their precious hearing.



*“The Foundation has been instrumental in funding some crucial research that has resulted in major advances for people with hearing loss.”*

**Professor Suzanne Purdy**  
**Head of School of Psychology, University of Auckland**



# How does the Foundation make a difference?

The Foundation prioritises three key areas:

**Advocacy:** Promoting the rights, interests and welfare of the one-in-six New Zealanders with hearing loss.

**Prevention:** Addressing noise-induced hearing loss, whether industrial or recreational, and promoting the prevention of hearing loss.

**Support:** Helping those with hearing loss to communicate effectively and live their lives to their fullest potential.



*“Our vision is a world where the impact of hearing loss is reduced through access to social support, treatments and technology.”*

**Lisa Talbot**  
**Donor Relations Manager**  
**National Foundation for**  
**Deaf & Hard of Hearing**

# How does the Foundation use bequest donations?

The Foundation regards bequests as very special gifts and uses them wisely and in accordance with the bequestors' wishes.

Bequests that have a specific request associated with them will be used based upon the wishes of the donor. If your gift is for general purposes, it will be invested prudently to ensure the Foundation is able to continue its work into the future.

*“By leaving a gift today, you are making a difference tomorrow.”*



# How can I update my Will to leave a gift to the Foundation?

Updating your Will, or adding what is known as a Codicil, is very simple.

You can use the wording on the opposite page of this booklet and forward it to your solicitor, or you can visit your legal adviser and tell them you wish to make the addition. It is not an expensive process, and may cost you nothing.



*“Leaving a legacy is your decision and yours alone. We will always respect your privacy. If you have included the Foundation in your Will, we’d love to hear from you. We do like to have the opportunity to acknowledge your generosity and commitment with a letter of thanks.”*

**Jemini Patel, Board Chair,  
National Foundation for Deaf & Hard of Hearing**



# Codicil for Existing Will

MR MRS MISS OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY):

MY FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

POST CODE \_\_\_\_\_

This is a Codicil to my last Will dated the \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

I give, devise and bequeath (free of all charges and duties) to the National Foundation for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or (nominated property)

\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ % proportion of my residuary estate, for the general purposes of the said National Foundation for Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

I further declare that the receipt of the Chief Executive, or Treasurer, of the National Foundation for Deaf and Hard of Hearing shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my trustees for the same and my trustees shall not be bound to see the application thereof. In all other respects, I confirm my said Will.

DATE \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

SIGNED BY \_\_\_\_\_

FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Signed in our presence and attested by us in his/her presence and in the presence of each other.

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

*If there are inserted figures or changes by hand or deleted sections in the bequest, these should be initialed by the person making the codicil and the witnesses.*

The National Foundation for Deaf & Hard of Hearing is totally funded by donations, bequests and grant applications.



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It's because of **YOU!**

Thank you

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