



South African
Guide-Dogs
Association

Your Legacy

Changing Lives Forever

What is a Bequest?



How would you define a bequest?

A charitable bequest is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organisation through your last Will and Testament.

By including a charitable bequest in your Will, you could make a significant contribution to an organisation such as South African Guide Dogs Association for the Blind and in many cases such a gift could possibly reduce the amount of estate duty and Capital Gains Tax payable on your death.

A bequest is a way to continue supporting your values and beliefs beyond your lifetime, ensuring the causes that you care about the most, last for years to come. By making a bequest and naming South African Guide-Dogs Association in your Will, you are making a real difference in the lives of those with visual and physical impairments and children on the autism spectrum.

Bequest income sustains the organisation and forms a substantial percentage of our diversified income, ultimately ensuring our sustainability and ability to continue the work that we do.

Gifting options through a Bequest



How does one go about leaving a bequest – there are several options:



Specific Amount of Cash

This is the simplest form of bequest, but makes no allowance for the effects of inflation or changes in the value of your estate. If you choose this option, you need to review your will regularly to ensure the bequest remains relevant.



A Percentage of your Estate

This ensures a fair distribution among all your beneficiaries, regardless of any changes in the value of your estate.



The Residue of your Estate

Whatever is left over after all taxes, liabilities and other bequests have been paid is known as the residue. You can bequeath the whole of the residue, or a percentage of it.

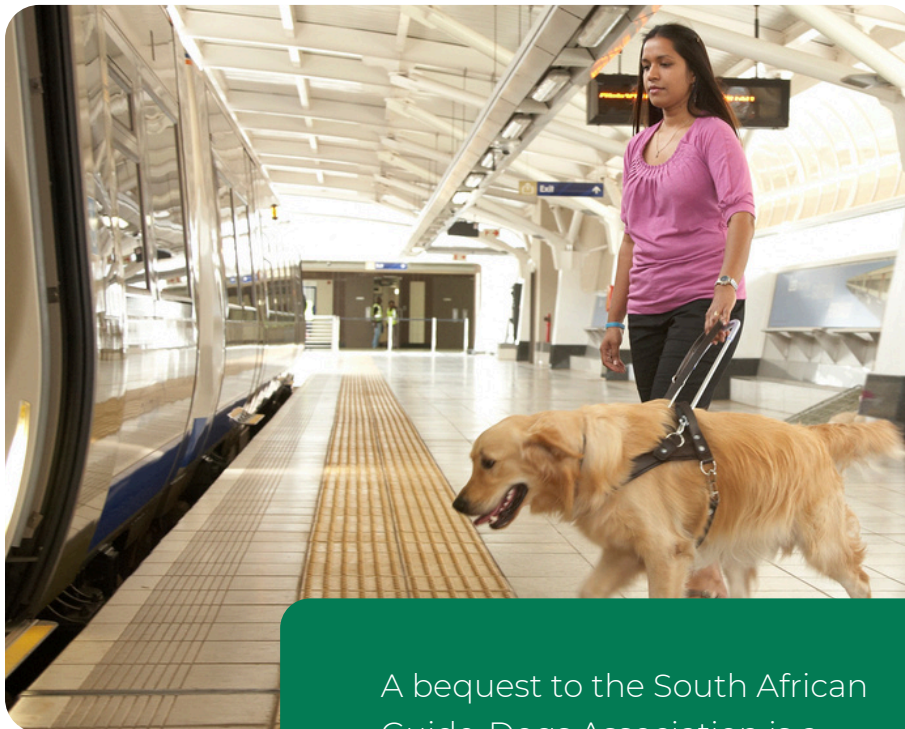


Proceeds of a Policy

An existing policy that might have been taken out years ago can be ceded to the South African Guide-Dogs Association or a new policy can be generated with the South African Guide-Dogs Association as the beneficiary.

- Valuable items such as real estate, motor vehicles, antiques, art works, jewellery, and so forth may be bequeathed to an organisation in your Will.
- The establishment of a Charitable Trust can be an option in certain circumstances when considerable sums are involved

What will my Bequest be used for?



A bequest to the South African Guide-Dogs Association is a powerful gift that used to support the visually and physically impaired members of our society, as well as children with Autism, to live an independent life through freedom of movement and acquisition of skills required to live a fully participatory life



If you would like to receive more information on leaving a legacy to the SA Guide-Dogs Association, please contact us on info@guidedog.org.za 011 707 3512 www.guidedog.org.za