

PLEASE LEAVE A GIFT

to St Raphael's Hospice.



Your gift
will help us to
provide vital care
and support to
patients and their
families when they
need it most



WE RELY ON
VOLUNTARY
DONATIONS,
FROM PEOPLE LIKE
YOU.YOUR SUPPORT
IS MUCH
APPRECIATED

Please support St Raphael's Hospice by leaving a gift in your will

Your invitation to become one of our "Lifelong Friends"



Adding to an existing Will...

If you wish to add to or alter your existing Will in order to add a gift to St Raphael's Hospice, you can do this by making a "codicil" or amendment. To do this you will need to contact your solicitor or legal advisor. A codicil is a legal document enabling you to alter or add to the original provisions in your existing will.

If you do not make a will, and have no next of kin, everything you own could go to the state...

If you die without making a will, the law decides how your possessions will be divided. This may not be in the way you would have wished. Some people think, quite mistakenly, that everything goes to their wife or husband if no will is made. In fact only a portion of the estate passes to the spouse. The rest must be shared amongst children or other relations.



How to leave a legacy to St Raphael's Hospice...

Most people consult a solicitor when they make or change their will and St Raphael's Hospice strongly recommends this. It usually costs a great deal less than you think, ensures that your wishes are carried out and helps to avoid misunderstanding later on.

Here is an example of suitable wording...

For a residuary legacy, which means that you leave all or part of what is left from your estate once all other gifts have been distributed. This is one of the best ways you can help support St Raphael's Hospice.

I bequeath the residue (or a share of the residue e.g. one quarter) of my estate to St Raphael's Hospice, London Road, North Cheam, Sutton, Surrey SM3 9DX (Registered charity number 1068661) for the general purposes of the Hospice and declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or Secretary or other proper officer for the time being of the Hospice shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor(s).

For a pecuniary legacy, which is a gift of a fixed sum of money. This can be index linked to maintain its value over time.

I give to St Raphael's Hospice, London Road, Cheam, Sutton, Surrey SM3 9DX (registered charity number 1068661) the sum of £..... for the general purposes of the Hospice and declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or Secretary or other proper officer for the time being of the Hospice shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor(s).

Even if you have already made a will, it is vital that it is kept up-to-date...

You may want to amend your will when a new grandchild arrives, or you may wish to remember special friends or charities you have supported.

Spending a little time and money on plans for the future is just common sense...

Three out of four people never make a will. The result is that distressed relatives are often left to sort things out at a time when they are under great emotional strain. If there are no relatives, it can take months to trace any next of kin, and it can be very expensive. Many people imagine that they have nothing worth leaving. But if you add up the value you may be surprised. You can rest easy in the knowledge that making a will is just another way of expressing your love and concern for your family and friends, and ensure that your wishes will be carried out.



Make a difference to life at St Raphael's...



The Hospice opened in 1987 and since then has been offering high quality hospice care to terminally ill patients from the local community. Our patients live mainly within the Boroughs of Merton and Sutton. St Raphael's Hospice is one of the charitable works of the Daughters of the Cross, a religious order and registered charity, although patients of all faiths and none are welcome. Fundraising for the Hospice has never been more vital. We simply cannot continue without the support of our friends in the community, and our

patients and families depend on their generosity. If you have been touched by St Raphael's at any time we know you will understand that Hospice care is not just about a building – it is about people, caring, understanding, supporting and encouraging each other. It is also about offering the reassurance of skilled medical and nursing care, whilst still recognising everyone as an individual and as a special person.

To provide such a service is costly – £4 million a year – 75% of which relies on public support through charitable donations, fundraising and legacies.

Your Legacy Pledge Form

If you have included St Raphael's Hospice in your Will, and if you feel it is appropriate, please complete and return this legacy pledge.

I want to be part of supporting the future of St Raphael's and I have left a bequest to St Raphael's Hospice in my Will.

YOUR DETAILS

Mr Mrs Miss Ms. Other

First Name:

Surname:

Address:

Postcode:

Tel No:

Email:

IF YOU WISH, YOU CAN ALSO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING USEFUL INFORMATION:

MY BEQUEST TO ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE IS

A specific sum of money (a "pecuniary" bequest)

A specific item (eg assets, shares)

All, or part, of the residue of my estate

Please use the space below for any further specific details you would like to add.

Please remove this form along the dotted line and return it in an envelope to Legacies, St Raphael's Hospice, TOBIT Office, London Road, North Cheam Sutton SM3 9DX

St Raphael's Hospice thanks you for your generosity



Securing the future of St Raphael's Hospice

St Raphael's Living Legators (Lifelong Friends) Scheme

Letting us know that you have left a legacy is important and helpful because:

- It lets us say Thank You
- It allows us to work with you in directing your legacy to the areas of our work that are most important to you
- It allows us to plan for the future

Leaving a legacy – a deferred gift

For many people, one of the most effective ways of supporting a charity is by leaving a legacy. Sometimes individuals may not have the resources available to make gifts during their lifetime; this means the legacy can be their greatest gift to support St Raphael's future.

There are three types of legacy:

- Residuary Legacy: a gift of the remainder of your estate after all other bequests and any debts have been paid
- Pecuniary Legacy: a gift of a fixed sum of money
- Specific Legacy: a gift of a specific item, e.g. a property or jewellery .



Our pledge of discretion

We respect the fact that giving is a very personal and entirely voluntary decision. Please be assured that the information you choose to provide will be treated with the utmost confidentiality. We remain equally grateful for the legacy support of those who choose not to advise St Raphael's of their gifts.

Assessing your Estate

Before you draft your Will, you should:

1. List everything that you own – your property, shares, investments, life insurance policies, bank balances, car and your valuables and possessions
2. Make a rough calculation of the value of all these assets
3. Decide who should benefit from your estate e.g. family, friends, charities etc
4. Decide who to appoint as your executor(s) i.e. the people who will administer your estate.

A word on Inheritance Tax

All bequests to charity (including St Raphael's) are exempt from Inheritance Tax.

Following the calculation of the value of all your assets, your legal advisor can advise on the best way for you to divide your estate, taking into account factors such as the various individuals/charities you wish to benefit and any tax implications for your estate.

Drafting your Will

It is always best to ask a legal adviser to draft your Will. He or she will know the correct form of words and can avoid ambiguities and misunderstandings. Your Will should set out the arrangements for distributing all of your estate including the residue, after your debts and any specific or pecuniary gifts have been paid. It should appoint between one and four people as executors. There are specific rules for the execution of Wills. It is very easy to execute a Will incorrectly and therefore you should take advice from your legal adviser on the correct way to execute your Will.

Adding to an existing Will

If you wish to add to or alter your existing Will you can do this by making a 'codicil'. In order to do this you will need to contact your legal adviser. A codicil is a legal document enabling you to alter or add to the original provisions in your Will.

Updating your Will

It is advisable to review your Will every five to ten years or if your circumstances change, to ensure that it still reflects your wishes.



This is a list of local Solicitors who are willing to see clients at any time of year to prepare a new will, or update your existing Will. All the solicitors listed have agreed to donate 10% of whatever fee you pay to them to St Raphael's Hospice. This is in accordance with the Solicitors Code of Conduct 2007.

IMPORTANT - PLEASE MENTION ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE WHEN YOU RING – JUST CHOOSE THE SOLICITOR OF YOUR CHOICE.

**Jeremy Cuff
Cuff & Gough LLP**

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26 High Street
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Surrey SM7 2LJ
Home Visits available? YES
Tel: 01737 851827
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Website: www.cuffandgough.com

**Mr David Hall
McMillanWilliams Solicitors**

The Orangery
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CARSHALTON
Surrey SM5 3BN
Home visits available? YES
Disabled access? YES
Tel: 020 8432 2041
Email: carshalton@mwsolicitors.co.uk
Website: www.mcmillan-williams.co.uk

**Colin Thorpe or Jonathan Jacobs
Taylor Willcocks**

10 Upper Mulgrave Road
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**David Greenfield, Joanne Orbell or
Alison Steadman**

**Carpenter & Co
Solicitors and Notary**
46 Woodcote Road
WALLINGTON
Surrey SM6 0NW
Disabled Access? YES
Home Visits available? YES
Tel: 020 8669 5145
Email: mail@carpenterssolicitors.co.uk
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**Kim Peacock
Peacock & Co Solicitors**

94 High Street
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Website: www.peacock-law.co.uk

**Sophie Hutchinson
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Annual 'make your WILL fortnight'

The Hospice also runs an annual promotion with local solicitors for two weeks in May each year when the solicitors taking part in that scheme agree to waive their entire will writing charge, in return for a donation to St Raphael's. A list of the solicitors taking part, which varies from year to year, is advertised locally in April each year and will be on our website www.makeyourwill.org.uk/straphaels - but please remember that scheme only operates for two specific weeks each year - hence the list of solicitors above, who will make a donation to St Raphael's all year round if you use them to prepare your will. Last year, the "Make Your Will Fortnight" raised £30,000 for St Raphael's Hospice. Our grateful thanks to all the solicitors who participate in this annual scheme.

www.makeyourwill.org.uk/straphaels