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A lasting way to be remembered

Leaving a charitable donation



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Remember Totnes Caring in your Will

Totnes Caring is an independent local charity dedicated to helping older and vulnerable people across Totnes and surrounding areas. One of the wonderful ways in which people choose to support us is by leaving a gift to Totnes Caring in their Will.

Your legacy will make a real difference to an older or vulnerable person in need of help. It could provide information and advice to someone struggling to access pension or other benefits, enable someone in later life to be able to attend medical appointments or help them to get out of the house and meet people at local activity groups, or to provide support and companionship to someone feeling lonely.

A significant proportion of the money that we need to carry out our work comes from gifts left in Wills. Sometimes it is users of our services who decide to leave a gift, or a clients' spouse or loved one; other benefactors prefer to remain anonymous.

Some people prefer to say exactly where and how they would like their gift to be used. Others leave the decision to us, knowing that Totnes Caring's needs and those of our clients can change over time.

Leaving a legacy

Voluntary donations, including gifts in Wills, are a vital source of funding for Totnes Caring, enabling us to support vulnerable, mainly older people in our community. Once loved ones have been provided for, we ask people to consider if they are able to leave a donation to Totnes Caring.

A gift in your Will can achieve so much - ensuring your values live on and inspiring family and friends. Big or small, a gift to Totnes Caring really will make a difference.

Why make a Will?

Having a Will means that your wishes will be carried out as you would want when the time comes. Without a Will, you die intestate, which means laws of intestacy decide what happens to your property and possessions. Put simply, no Will means no choice.

An up-to-date Will ensures that the things you hold dear are passed to the people you love and the causes you believe in; making a Will gives you complete peace of mind.

What can you do?

Friends and family should always come first; if you choose to also leave a gift to Totnes Caring you can choose to leave a fixed sum, a specific asset, or a share of your estate.

How can you do it?

To make or update a Will, we recommend you consult a solicitor to make sure the legal formalities are covered and your Will is valid.

Did you know

That charitable gifts in Wills are not subject to inheritance tax, so you can be assured the full amount of any gift you make to Totnes Caring would be used to support our work. There are also further tax incentives if, for example, at least 10% of your Estate is gifted to charity (which can be spread across any number of registered charities) as the inheritance tax rate reduces.

In memoriam donations

Making a donation in memory of a loved one is a wonderful way to celebrate their life. It really is a positive way to help make their memory last and support Totnes Caring's work. It can also be a great comfort at a time of loss to remember someone close to you in this way.

We are always particularly grateful for these special donations. No matter what the size, these gifts will help Totnes Caring continue our work to make life better for vulnerable and older people in our local community.

If you feel you or a loved one have been helped or comforted by a particular service within Totnes Caring, your gift can go to that project to ensure that others benefit from the service.

What does Totnes Caring do?

Every year we support hundreds of vulnerable, mainly older people living in Totnes and the surrounding areas to enable them to live as independently as possible and connect them to their community to increase their health and wellbeing.

With the help of our amazing volunteers we provide transport to and from health appointments and social activities, shopping, befriending, home helps, form filling, hospital discharge support, lunch clubs, and a range of activity and support clubs, including weekly memory cafes and art groups.

Leaving a gift to Totnes Caring will help us to continue to support and make a difference to the lives of so many in our community.



Thank you for taking the time to read this leaflet. If you have any questions about leaving a gift in your Will, or would like to discuss your intentions, you can call us in confidence on 01803 865684 or email us on info@totnescaring.org.uk

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