THE TEAL HOPE
BEQUEST PROGRAM
WHAT IS A BEQUEST?
A bequest or a planned gift, simply means that you include Ovarian Cancer Australia Limited as a beneficiary in your Will. We value every gift, no matter what amount. A bequest is a wonderful way to ensure that your generosity continues to make a significant difference beyond your lifetime.

HOW WILL YOUR BEQUEST MAKE A DIFFERENCE?
Your gift means you will be making a huge difference by ensuring that our support services are available for all Australian women, no matter where they live or what level of healthcare they can afford. Ovarian Cancer Australia is an independent Not for Profit and offers services such as providing our Resilience Kits FREE for all women living with ovarian cancer.

Ovarian Cancer Australia is working to ambitious targets to reduce the incidence of ovarian cancer by driving the implementation of the National Action Plan (NAP) for Ovarian Cancer and investing in much needed research. By including a gift to Ovarian Cancer Australia in your Will, you will help to ensure our legacy and your own legacy. An improvement in the overall survival rates, as has been seen with other female cancers, this would be a change worth achieving for all Australian women.

The Teal Hope Bequest Program is for people like you who have been affected by Ovarian Cancer and want to make a lasting difference. The Program also allows loved ones to honour the memories of brave women who have died of Ovarian Cancer whilst leaving a gift of support to women who may face it in the future.

Including a gift, no matter how large or small, to Ovarian Cancer Australia in your Will, is a meaningful way to help us pursue our vision to “save lives and ensure that no woman with ovarian cancer walks alone”.

There are many stories at Ovarian Cancer Australia of Teal Hope Bequests that have made a huge difference like the gift we received from June Harrison. June left a significant bequest to Ovarian Cancer Australia and her husband Harold gave a further significant gift to help build awareness of the disease and its signs and symptoms in our community. June did not have any symptoms and was diagnosed with stage 3c ovarian cancer following a routine medical examination. Understandably, since losing June, Harold has been passionate about raising awareness of this disease.

Your bequest has potential to save the lives of women who you will never meet; and in doing so, your contribution will have an immeasurable community impact. Our team was able to maximise June’s amazing bequest and her husband’s donation to achieve over $1.1M dollars in matched donated media coverage by Pacific Magazines and QMS.

I warmly invite you to consider contributing to the Teal Hope Bequest Program and the future of Ovarian Cancer Australia. The generosity of people like you has had a significant impact on the work we do and can serve as your own lasting legacy.

You may never meet the people whose life your kindness changes, but they will forever be grateful to you.

Warm Regards,

Jane Hill
CEO, Ovarian Cancer Australia
WHAT GIFT CAN YOU GIVE?
Leaving a planned gift is a personal decision and your gift can take a variety of forms:

**PECUNIARY BEQUEST**
A pecuniary gift is a specific dollar amount.

**PERCENTAGE**
A percentage of either the residue or the entire estate.

**RESIDUARY**
The remainder of an estate after specific gifts have been disbursed.

**SPECIFIC ASSET**
Specific assets in the form of property, shares, bonds or items of value (for example art, jewellery or furniture).

Residuary and percentage are considered the most beneficial forms of a bequest as they hold their value over time. You may like to consider leaving a percentage of your estate rather than a dollar amount, as the value could be significantly eroded by inflation between the time you write your will and the time it is administered.

**SUGGESTED WORDING**
Leaving a gift in your will is a simple process, but we recommend you seek legal advice before drafting a will or updating an existing one. We are also happy to talk through specific language with you.

The following wording is suggested to indicate your intention to make a bequest to Ovarian Cancer Australia Limited:

1. *I bequeath to Ovarian Cancer Australia Limited (ABN 76 097 394 593) the sum of $X.*

2. *I bequeath to Ovarian Cancer Australia Limited (ABN 76 097 593) X% of the residue of my estate.*

We also recommend the following general statement be included, "*I bequeath this free of all charges to Ovarian Cancer Australia (ABN 76 097 394 593) to be used for general purposes*.”

Other forms of recognition for the bequest or lasting legacy acknowledgement such as the naming of one of our important programs need to be discussed with our Chief Executive Officer and Director of Development and can be agreed by Ovarian Cancer Australia. This will also need to be clearly worded into your Will and we can if you wish to have a separate formal agreement drafted with Ovarian Cancer Australia.

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We will always respect your privacy. We appreciate and recognise that your Will is personal to you.

1. We understand that loved ones come first and we encourage you to discuss your intention with them before finalising your Will.

2. We will handle whatever gift you leave to us with care and respect and can formulate an Agreement with you so that you are recognised in accordance with your wishes as a donor to the Teal Hope Bequest Program on our Ovarian Cancer Australia materials, Annual Reports and website. Or your wishes maybe that your bequest be anonymous.

3. We will connect and keep you updated through the Teal Hope Bequest Program on the work that we do that is made possible with bequests and gifts like yours.

4. At any time in the future you have the absolute right to change your mind about a bequest or gift in your Will and we can also alter our agreement in keeping with your wishes.

5. We promise that we will use your gift wisely and cost effectively so that it has the greatest impact for all Australians affected by ovarian cancer.
MORE INFORMATION
Ovarian Cancer Australia understands that leaving a gift in your Will can be a significant decision and we are extremely grateful to you for considering supporting our organisation in this lasting way.

If you have any questions about leaving a bequest or gift, please do not hesitate to contact;

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