



# YALE UNIVERSITY BEQUEST INTENTION

## INCLUDING YALE IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN

Bequests and other testamentary gifts by generous alumni and friends have been a significant source of financial support for the university for over 300 years. The continuation and expansion of this tradition of remembrance will contribute to Yale's future financial strength and continued academic excellence.

A gift to the university through your estate plan qualifies you as a member of Yale Legacy Partners, created to recognize and thank donors whose foresight is building the future of Yale.

You can make a specific gift to Yale of cash, securities, real estate, or other property through your will, codicil, or trust instrument. You can also designate Yale as the beneficiary of all or part of the remainder of your estate or trust after the payment of estate-related expenses, other bequests, or following the death of a spouse or other primary beneficiaries. Another way to include Yale in your estate plan is to name the university as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or life insurance policy.

A bequest or trust provision for the benefit of Yale may qualify your estate for an estate tax charitable deduction.

## SAMPLE TESTAMENTARY LANGUAGE

*"I give ( \_\_\_\_\_ dollars) or (a specific asset, such as securities, real estate, or other property) or (all) or ( \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate) to Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut (for its general purposes) or (for the following purpose: \_\_\_\_\_ )."*

While unrestricted gifts allow the university to allocate funds to areas of greatest need, you may designate your bequest for a particular purpose or use by a specific school, program, or activity at Yale. In order to ensure that the evolving educational needs of future generations of students are met, it is advisable to include the following language with restricted gifts:

*In the event that at some future time due to changed circumstances, in the judgment of the Yale Board of Trustees, it becomes impractical to apply my bequest to the designated purpose(s), the Yale Board of Trustees shall make such modifications as will appropriately recognize my interests in coordination with university priorities.*

**If you wish to document your bequest intention at this time, please complete the form on the back of this sheet.**

For more detailed information on including Yale in your estate plan, please contact:

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## DOCUMENTING YOUR BEQUEST INTENTION

In order to support the educational mission of Yale University, I have included a non-contingent bequest to Yale as part of my estate plan. A copy of the relevant provision of my will or trust is attached. If I make any change to this provision, I will notify the university of such change.

_____ Name	_____ Yale Class/School Affiliation
_____ Street, City, State, Zip	
_____ Home Telephone	_____ Business Telephone
_____ Current Value of Bequest	_____ Date of Birth (for reunion gift recognition)
_____ Signature	_____ Date

### *Gift Recognition:*

*If you will be at least 65 years old as of June 30, 2025, you may be eligible to receive gift recognition at a discounted value based on your age. However, if Yale will receive the non-contingent bequest upon the death of your spouse or another individual, gift recognition may be based upon his or her current age. Please provide the following information for that individual.*

_____ <i>Name</i>	_____ <i>Date of Birth</i>
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Please submit this form to:

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