



THE BAIRD  
INSTITUTE

Applied heart & lung surgical research

# A Gift in Your Will

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Your Legacy Can  
Be Our Future



Help us fund lifesaving heart and  
lung research & protect the next  
generation to come

## The Baird Institute

The Baird Institute is unique. It is the only dedicated cardiothoracic surgical training and research institute in Australia. It was established in 2001 and honours the example of the late Professor Doug Baird AM.

A gift left to The Baird Institute in your Will means we can continue to foster, fund and promote cardiothoracic research in medical undergraduates, graduates and our own surgeons. This in turn will lead to greater public health benefits for the whole community and in addition will help to secure the future for people living with heart and lung disease.



## Your Will to Help

Your Will is one of the most important documents that you will ever prepare. It ensures that the people and organisations you care about are provided for after your death.

In preparing your Will, your first concern will obviously be for your family and others close to you. After providing for your loved ones, you may like to consider including a bequest to The Baird Institute

## The Importance of a Will

A Will is a legal document that allows you to choose who receives your belongings and assets after your death. Everyone should have a Will as it ensures your loved ones and the causes you believe in are provided for.

Without a Will, your estate is governed by State Law which determines how your assets are distributed. These rules do not take account of your individual circumstances or what you may have wanted. Not having a Will can cause a great deal of worry and expense for your family after you are gone.

## Types of Gifts

You can leave a gift in your Will in a variety of ways. Discuss the below options with your family and your solicitor to see what works best for you.

**A Residual Gift:** With this type of bequest, The Baird Institute receives the balance of the estate after those specifically named in the Will have been provided for.

**A Percentage Gift:** This can be any percentage of your total estate up to 100 %.

**A Pecuniary Gift:** This is a gift of a specific sum of money

**A Specific Gift:** An asset such as real estate, shares, artworks or other forms of investments.

## How to Leave a Gift in your Will

A gift can be included when you first make your Will or can be added to your existing Will as a codicil. If you do not have a Will, contact a solicitor about drawing one up. A solicitor will ensure all requirements are fulfilled in order for your Will to be valid.

If you do already have a Will, a codicil (short legal amendment) can be a cost-effective way to include a gift in your Will to The Baird Institute. Contact your solicitor about including a codicil in your Will.

## Suggested Wording for Your Will

“I give to The Baird Institute Ltd, PO Box M85  
Missenden Rd NSW 2050, ABN: 38096746 806

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*(for example: a percentage of your estate or a specific sum or piece of property or my whole estate or the residue of my estate),*

free from all duties, to be used for the general purposes of The Baird Institute. I declare that a receipt from the Director, or other authorised person of The Baird Institute Ltd to my executor shall be a complete and sufficient discharge for the payment of such benefit.

**If you are intending on leaving a gift in your Will to The Baird Institute, please do let us know. This gives us the chance to thank you, as well as share news of our research breakthroughs with you. It also gives us the opportunity to plan for the future. If your situation changes, you are of course free to change or update your wishes at any time.**



## Why Support Cardiothoracic Research?



Cardiothoracic research impacts the health of more than one third of the Australian Population.

Our donors support The Baird Institute because we deliver long term life-changing solutions that can save lives and make such a difference to people living with chronic disease. Join a powerful community of supporters who are helping us address the impact of cardiothoracic disease.

For more information on leaving a gift to The Baird Institute in your Will, please contact our CEO, Catherine Rush, on 02 9550 2350 for a confidential and friendly chat.

“Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much” *Helen Keller*

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# The Baird Institute Bequest Advice

**Make a gift in your Will today to help us improve tomorrow**

<b>Title</b>	<b>First Name</b>
<b>Last Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Suburb/Town</b>	<b>Postcode</b>
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	

I would like to **confirm** that I have made a bequest to The Baird Institute in my Will.

I would like to confidentially **discuss** leaving a gift to The Baird Institute in my Will. Please contact me on the above number. The best day and time to call is:

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Please do NOT publish my name in your donor listings


I prefer NOT to be invited to The Baird Institute special events

## **Please mail this tear off form to:**

Catherine Rush, *CEO*

The Baird Institute Ltd

Reply Paid 85 Missenden Rd NSW 2050

 02 9550 2350

 [catherine@bairdinstitute.org.au](mailto:catherine@bairdinstitute.org.au)

**Thank you for considering a gift in your Will to The Baird Institute**

Personal information is collected to process donations, issue receipts and send you updates. Our privacy policy is available at [www.bairdinstitute.org.au](http://www.bairdinstitute.org.au)