

Being Peace Practice Centre

Legacy Information Pack



Dear friend,

Thank you for thinking of the Being Peace Centre. Legacy donations will make a substantial contribution to the long-term success of this project and your gift will enable many people to experience the transformative and healing potential of Plum Village mindfulness.

We hope that the information in this document will be of use when leaving a gift in your will.

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Making a will

Making a will can be complicated or straightforward depending on your arrangements and the country you live in (different rules apply to England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales).

[Citizens Advice](#) gives clear information about [leaving a will](#) in the UK.

[Money Saving Expert](#) offers advice on how to [reduce the cost of making a will](#).

www.gov.uk also offers advice on [writing a will](#).

Please seek appropriate legal advice when making or altering your will.

If you have already made a will and would like to amend it to leave a gift to Being Peace, you will need to use a codicil. If this is something you would like to do, we suggest engaging a solicitor.

Leaving a Gift to Being Peace

To leave a gift to Being Peace, you should specify the gift to be left to the Community of Interbeing UK.

The Being Peace Practice Centre is a project of the Community of Interbeing UK and is not currently a separate legal entity. The Community of Interbeing UK is a legal entity and a registered UK charity, of which Plum Village UK is a working name.

The wording of your will should reflect the above information, as well as setting out what you would like to happen to the bequest in the event that the Being Peace Practice Centre is no longer operational at the time that the will is executed. The clauses that we suggest below contain such wording.

It is essential to supply the charity information in the will:

The Community of Interbeing UK
Charity Number 1096680
Sunnyside House
South View Terrace
Yatton
Bristol
BS49 4AH

There are a number of different types of gift that can be left in a will:

- ***Pecuniary gifts*** are specific sums of money. Pecuniary gifts can (and arguably should) be index-linked so that their value will rise over time in line with inflation. For instance, they could be linked to the Retail Price Index or the Consumer Price Index. **Please consult a solicitor if this is something you wish to do.**

- **Specific gifts** are things, such as a painting, a house or a piece of jewelry.
- **Residuary gifts** are expressed as percentages of whatever value of the estate is left once pecuniary and specific gifts as well as debts and liabilities have been taken into account. **Leaving 10% or more of your estate to charity may result in a reduced inheritance tax rate for the remainder of the estate.**
- **Contingent gifts** depend upon the occurrence of an event, which may or may not happen. An example is a bequest to a charity which applies only if other beneficiaries named in the will die before the Testator (person who made the will).

Sample Clauses for use in wills

Below, we offer some sample clauses that could be included in your will. You should seek appropriate legal advice - a solicitor, for example - to ensure that there won't be problems when executing the will.

Including the words '*with preference for it to be applied to*' means that, in the event that the Being Peace Practice Centre no longer exists when the will is executed, the gift will be made to Plum Village UK.

Of course, if you do not wish for this to happen, you can alter the wording to reflect this.

For a pecuniary gift:

'I give to the Community of Interbeing UK of Sunnyside House, South View Terrace, Yatton, Bristol BS49 4AH, Registered Charity No. 1096680 (England and Wales) ("the Charity"), the sum of £ (insert amount) to be used by the Charity at its discretion to further the Charity's objectives *with preference for it to be applied to or toward the establishment, upkeep, maintenance or improvement of the Being Peace UK Practice Centre*, and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the Charity shall be a complete discharge to my executors.'

For an index-linked pecuniary gift:

'I give to the Community of Interbeing UK of Sunnyside House, South View Terrace, Yatton, Bristol BS49 4AH, Registered Charity No. 1096680 (England and Wales) ("the Charity"), the sum of £ (insert amount) or such larger sum as my executors calculate to have the same value at my death as the figure specified at the date of this (insert either 'Will' or 'Codicil') to be used by the Charity at its discretion to further the Charity's objectives *with preference for it to be applied to or toward the establishment, upkeep, maintenance or improvement of the Being Peace UK Practice Centre*, and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the Charity shall be a complete discharge to my executors.'

For a residuary gift:

'I give (specify %) of the residue of my real and personal estate to the Community of Interbeing UK of Sunnyside House, South View Terrace, Yatton, Bristol BS49 4AH,

Registered Charity No. 1096680 (England and Wales) ("the Charity"), to be used by the Charity at its discretion to further the Charity's objectives *with preference for it to be applied to or toward the establishment, upkeep, maintenance or improvement of the Being Peace UK Practice Centre*, and I declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer for the time being of the Charity shall be a complete discharge to my executors.'

The above wordings assume that you wish to leave a gift in your will specifically for the Being Peace Practice Centre. If you wish your gift to be used for any purposes which further the Charity's objectives you can omit the words in italics.

Letting us know

You have no obligation to inform the beneficiaries of any legacy gifts that they have been named in your will. However, we would love to know if you have, including relevant details, as this will help us with our financial planning.

If you would like to inform us, please write to fundraising@beingpeace.uk.

You may like to include information such as:

The type of gift, as well as any associated figures,

Your full name,

Your postal address and an indication of whether we may send you something in the post

Any other relevant information about the will

Contact information

If you have any questions about the contents of this pack, or anything else, please write to us and one of the team we will be happy to speak with you:

beingpeace@plumvillage.uk or fundraising@plumvillage.uk