

#### Legal Name: Woodview Mental Health and Autism Services Address: 69 Flatt Road, Burlington, ON L7P 0T3 Charitable Registration #: 119303923RR0001

# What wording should I use to leave a gift (bequest) to Woodview Mental Health and Autism Services in my Will?

Your lawyer or other professional adviser will help you with the wording of your legacy gift. Below are examples.

## A Specific Gift Amount

This is the wording to use when you are leaving a gift of a specific cash amount. It is simple and straightforward:

**Sample wording:** "I give \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Woodview Mental Health and Autism Services."

## A Residuary Gift

The "residue" of your Estate is that which remains after the taxes, administrative and legal expenses are paid, and your heirs have received their specific gifts. The residue can be given in whole, or divided among beneficiaries.

**Sample wording:** "I bequeath the residue of my Estate (or xx% of the residue of my estate) to Woodview Mental Health and Autism Services."

#### A Contingent Gift

This is a provision which allows you to determine the recipient of your estate in the event that none of your named beneficiaries are alive at the time of your death.

**Sample wording:** *"If none of the individuals I intend to benefit by this Will are alive or otherwise capable of benefitting, I leave the residue of my Estate to Woodview Mental Health and Autism Services."* 

If you wish to designate to a specific Woodview program, the following wording would allow for flexibility should that program or location no longer be in existence at the time the bequest is realized:

**Sample wording:** *"If through the passage of time, a designated Woodview program is no longer in place, I give permission to alter the terms of my will to adhere as closely as possible to my original wishes; or in the event that this is not possible, please direct my gift to the area of greatest need."*