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A gift to Habitat for Humanity Kingston Limestone Region is a legacy that has an impact well beyond your lifetime. A gift in your Will could have benefit for future generations.

Wording for Your Will

Here are two simple ways that you can put a charitable gift in your Will.

**You can name the residue of your Estate in whole or as a proportion using percentages.**  The residue is what remains after taxes, administrative expenses and your heirs have received their specific gifts or proportion.  An advantage is that as your circumstances change, your Will does not have to be altered, as the proportion remains the same.

*Sample wording:*  “I bequeath the residue of my Estate (or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of the residue of my Estate) to Habitat for Humanity Kingston Limestone Region.”

**Another way is to name a specific amount.**

*Sample wording:* “I give $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to support the work of Habitat for Humanity Kingston Limestone Region.”

About specific designations

If you wish to designate to a specific Habitat for Humanity program, we recommend the following wording in order to ensure your legacy is realised, should that program no longer be in existence at the time the bequest is realized:

“If through the passage of time, a designated Habitat for Humanity 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.”

Habitat for Humanity recommends that you consult a legal advisor when planning your Will.

Updating an Existing Will

Many of us delay creating a Will because the process can seem daunting. If you already have a Will in place, you have acted wisely. Make sure to review it regularly to keep it up to date. The steps you take now to plan can make it so much easier for loved ones in the future.

If you want to consider adding a gift to Habitat for Humanity Kingston Limestone Region in your existing Will, ask your lawyer about making a codicil or amendment. This option may eliminate the need to

re-write your Will in its entirety.