

Bequest Language

Planning for the future and creating the legacy you wish to leave is one of the most effective ways to ensure a lasting impact. Making a gift in your will or living trust, known as a bequest, can guarantee that your legacy endures. Your gift may be a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or the remainder after all other provisions are specified.

Our federal tax ID number is: 43-6003859

Below is suggested language to use when drafting your bequest.

Sample Language

For an unrestricted gift that allows the University of Missouri to determine how to use the funds based on the most pressing needs, use the following language for your will and/or trust:

"I give to The Curators of the University of Missouri-Columbia campus, a nonprofit corporation currently located at 227 University Hall, Columbia, MO, 65211, or its successor thereto,

[written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted charitable use and purpose."

To designate your provision for a particular purpose:

"I give to The Curators of the University of Missouri-Columbia campus, a nonprofit corporation currently located at 227 University Hall, Columbia, MO, 65211, or its successor thereto,

_______ [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property]. This gift should be used for (state purpose) if and so long as The Curators of the University of Missouri-Columbia campus determines that the need exists. If The Curators of the University of Missouri-Columbia campus shall determine at the outset or at a later time that the need does not exist or no longer exists or for some reason it is not possible (or prudent) to administer my gift as originally intended, then The Curators of the University of Missouri-Columbia campus may, in its sole and uncontrolled discretion, direct the use of my bequest for a purpose related as closely as possible to that stated above."

If you have named the University of Missouri in your will or trust, please let us know so we can ensure that your gift is used according to your wishes. Notifying us of your plans will enable us to plan for the use of your future gift. However, if you prefer to remain anonymous, we will keep your name and gift in strict confidence.

Please contact The Office of Gift Planning at 1-800-970-9977 or 573-882-0272 or giftplanning@missouri.edu for more information.