



Your legacy standing guard for wildlife

Thank you for considering leaving a bequest to Wildlife Victoria in your Will.

About Wildlife Victoria

Wildlife Victoria is a non-profit charity that has operated an Australian wildlife rescue service in Victoria since 1989. Members of the public can report incidents of sick, injured, or orphaned native wildlife found anywhere across the state to Wildlife Victoria's 24/7 wildlife emergency response service.

Our Emergency Response Service responds to over 160,000 calls for help from members of the public every year, providing expert advice and deploying trained Wildlife Victoria volunteers when necessary. Last year, our volunteers provided in field assistance to 97,772 native animals.

Our wildlife Travelling Veterinary Service is on call 7 days a week to assess and treat injured wildlife in field and in care – providing vital support not just to wildlife but also to Wildlife Victoria's volunteer wildlife rescuers and wildlife rehabilitation shelters at no cost.

In 2024, our Travelling Veterinary Service provided free veterinary treatment to over 1,600 native animals in care and in the wild.

All of this is made possible through the generous donations from our community of supporters.

Wildlife Guardians

Wildlife Guardians is a community of those who have chosen to leave a bequest to Wildlife Victoria in their Will. Your generosity will support our state's precious wildlife for generations to come.

As a Wildlife Guardian, your legacy will safeguard unique creatures found nowhere else in the world. A bequest in your Will to Wildlife Victoria will support the rescue, rehabilitation and protection of our amazing fauna.

To join our community of Wildlife Guardians, simply notify us of your bequest by emailing donations@wildlifevictoria.org.au.

Wildlife Victoria's Pledge

When you leave a gift to Wildlife Victoria in your Will, we want you to feel assured that your intentions will always be adhered to and treated with the utmost respect. Our commitments to you are as follows:

- Wildlife Victoria will always respect your privacy.
- We understand that your Will is completely personal to you.
- We know that, rightly so, your loved ones will always come first.
- We will use your bequest carefully and with thorough consideration as to fulfill its greatest potential to benefit wildlife.
- We will, at all times, handle your bequest with care, sensitivity and respect.

Types of bequests

Some types of bequests you may consider are:

Residuary bequest – whole

After providing for your loved ones, the remainder of your estate will be left to Wildlife Victoria.

Residuary bequest – percentage

This option means that after your loved ones, you wish to bequeath a percentage of your remaining estate to Wildlife Victoria to continue our crucial mission.

Pecuniary bequest

A specific amount to continue Wildlife Victoria's vital work. Please consider that the effects of inflation may, overtime, devalue the benefits of a pecuniary bequest.

If you already have a Will...

A codicil is an easy way to include a gift to Wildlife Victoria without having to rewrite your Will. It is an instruction added to your already existing Will. It is important to seek professional advice to ensure it is legally valid.

SafeWill

Wildlife Victoria has a partnership with SafeWill, an online organisation that aims to make Will writing more accessible and affordable. If you are looking for a simple, affordable way to set up a Will and leave a bequest, head to safewill.com/wildlifestvictoria to find out more.

How to leave a bequest

- Once you have decided on the type of bequest you would like to make, ask your solicitor or legal advisor to draft the appropriate clause that best reflects your intentions.

- You may wish to use the following wording as a guide:

'I bequeath, free of all duties, the residue [or] percentage residue of my estate; [or] the sum of \$[amount]; to Wildlife Victoria Inc. (ABN 27 753 478 012), to be used for its general purposes. The written receipt of the Secretary or other officer of Wildlife Victoria Inc. may be accepted by my executors as a full and sufficient discharge of my bequest.'

- To ensure your bequest reaches us, it is important to use our full legal name and registered Australian Business Number:
Wildlife Victoria Inc.
ABN 27 753 478 012
- Notify us of your bequest via phone or email. We would like the opportunity to thank you personally and recognise your decision to assist our work.



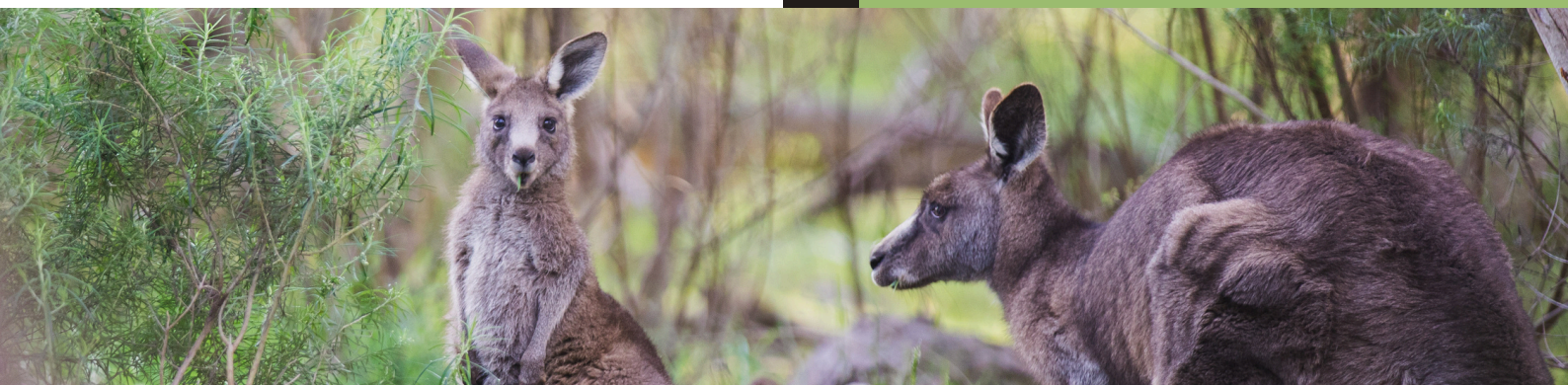
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A message from our CEO

Thank you for considering a gift in your Will to Wildlife Victoria. Your generous gift will help to support the future of our precious wildlife long into the future.

A gift in your Will doesn't have to be large to have great impact. Just a small percentage of what's left after your loved ones are provided for can make a big difference.

A gift in your Will ensures your legacy will stand guard to help us protect our precious wildlife for future generations and contribute to the health of our ecosystem.

I can't think of a better way for your kindness to live on than to leave a gift in your Will to our wildlife through Wildlife Victoria. On behalf of the many precious lives your gift will help, I want to sincerely thank you for your interest in remembering Wildlife Victoria in your Will.

Lisa Palma, Chief Executive Officer



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