Your Gifts in Wills Guide

With your help, we can keep caring for our community for years to come.

every day matters

St Barnabas

Thank you for your interest in leaving a gift in your Will to St Barnabas Hospice. We are not a large organisation – but the work we do is huge for Lincolnshire. In fact, I think it would be difficult to find a local person whose life, in some way, hasn't been touched by St Barnabas Hospice.

We believe high-quality, dignified end-of-life care is a human right, not a luxury – and it is our mission to provide this level of care to our community, far into the future. We opened our doors to our first patient 40 years ago. Since then, more than 100,000 people have received free, compassionate end-of-life care and support. We are a community-owned hospice with services in every corner of Lincolnshire to ensure that anyone with a terminal illness or life-limiting condition can access the support they need. And it's not just patients that we help; we're also there for families and loved ones, to hold their hand during difficult moments.

The work we do is only possible because of people like you. We have received tremendous support from local businesses and donors who, like us, are passionate about making sure end-of-life care in Lincolnshire is of the highest standard. But there is so much more that we want to do, and we are facing increasing financial pressures. Leaving a gift in your Will to St Barnabas is a wonderful way to give back to the community that you have been a part of – and to help care for its people for years to come.

Thank you,

Chris Wheway, Chief Executive, St Barnabas Hospice



St Barnabas Hospice: Through the years

1982

A nursing home was purchased by the Trust in Lincoln, where a four-bed unit was opened. An 11-bed inpatient unit was opened in Lincoln. Day care and home care services were launched.

2001

Day centres were established in Gainsborough, Sutton-on-Sea, Lincoln, Boston and Spalding.

A small group of people with a total of just £270 set up a Charitable Trust with the aim of opening a local hospice.

1979

1989

2014

A ground-breaking six-bed hospice opened in collaboration with the NHS within Grantham and District Hospital.

2017

A range of events took place to mark 35 years of St Barnabas offering compassionate care to the people of Lincolnshire. St Barnabas celebrated its 40-year anniversary. During our four decades of operation, we have cared for more than 100,000 people.

2022

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The passion to provide outstanding care to patients and their families has never changed. It has always been at the heart of St Barnabas.

Sue Carter, Ward Manager

Over the years, there have been many milestones and changes. St Barnabas has moved with the times, embracing technology, finding new collaborators and improving reporting, governance and standards of care.

The complexity of the issues our patients face has increased over time. So, we keep learning and adapting to provide them with the best physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual support.

But our mission has remained the same. Our goal, to ensure that everyone receives the compassionate, quality care they deserve, was part of the St Barnabas story at the very beginning and will always remain the focus of everything we do.

All across Lincolnshire

Lincoln Inpatient Unit and Wellbeing Centre

11-bed facility with a range of support services and counselling/ bereavement support

Grantham Hospice in the Hospital and Wellbeing Centre

6-bed facility with a range of support services and counselling/ bereavement support

Louth Wellbeing Centre

Counselling/bereavement support and medical appointments

Boston Wellbeing Centre

Counselling/ bereavement support and medical appointments

Spalding Wellbeing Centre

Counselling, therapy and medical services

Hospice at Home

We will never forget the kindness St Barnabas gave to our family.

Lorraine Bousfield from Woodhall Spa recently lost her husband Paul, who she describes as energetic, life-embracing, generous, kind, and fun-loving.

Lorraine says: "Paul was a huge family man. Time with his family was his treasure and pleasure. Meals, music, games, chatter he adored spending time with his children and me."

Sadly, in July 2022 Paul received a diagnosis of Hypopharyngeal cancer. Paul was looked after by St Barnabas nurses at home, receiving vital medical care, equipment including a wheelchair, financial advice, counselling sessions and other types of support.

For the last five days, Paul found peace at the St Barnabas Inpatient Unit in Lincoln, with his family by his bedside around the clock.

Lorraine says: "The nurses made sure Paul was comfortable, they were discreet and kind. As a family we could sleep in his room and just be together for those final days. We were given all the time we needed. We will never forget the kindness they gave to our family and Paul."

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I thought, as many do, that hospices were only places where patients went to pass away peacefully but St Barnabas has proven to be so much more.

Lorraine Bousfield, widow of St Barnabas patient Paul

Why having a Will is important

Wills are an important way of making sure your wishes are known, and that the things you have worked hard for during your life will go to the people and causes that you hold dear.

Types of gifts

Residuary gift

A residuary gift, or 'share of your estate', is the percentage of your estate that you choose to leave to a beneficiary. It will not devalue over time.

Pecuniary gift

A pecuniary gift, or 'cash gift', is an exact sum of money. Inflation may devalue the amount over time, so you might like to ask your solicitor about linking it to the Retail Price Index, to ensure it maintains its value.



How to leave a gift in your Will

Solicitor

Contact your Solicitor to ask for advice about leaving a gift in your Will to St Barnabas.

Guardian Angel

This is our free and simple online service that allows you to create a Will in just 15 minutes. More information here: www.guardianangel.network/online-will

Free Wills Cafés

These are regular free events we run in our Wellbeing Centres and in the community, where you can meet with a legal professional to gain guidance about making your Will.

If you are leaving a gift to St Barnabas Hospice, your Solicitor will need the charity's registered address (36 Nettleham Road, Lincoln LN2 1RE) and charity number 1053814. You may also wish to let your family know you have made a gift to us in your Will. 99

I'm leaving a gift in my Will so that nurses can continue to protect our county.



Rob, St Barnabas Legator



I'm leaving a gift in my Will to help families like mine create lasting memories.

Robinson Family, St Barnabas Legator

I'm leaving a gift in my Will to share my strength through care and support.

Anita, St Barnabas Legator and Volunteer



Your legacy

Leaving a legacy is always a deeply personal choice. Our legacies capture our values, our lives and experiences, and our hopes for the future. So, a gift in a Will is a powerful way to support the values and communities that matter most to us, even after we are gone.

Each of our legators has their own unique reasons for supporting St Barnabas. Our Legacy team are endlessly inspired and moved by the stories that our supporters share and the reasons behind each generous gift.

But, as different and personal as the journeys of our legators are, every one has something in common: they have made a remarkable commitment to provide compassionate care to the people of Lincolnshire when they need it the most.

We truly would not be able to provide the world-class care we do without the support of these individuals. So, we are endlessly grateful to each and every one, and hope you will consider making a similar commitment.

Together, we can ensure that everyone, from Grantham to Skegness, Lincoln to Spalding, and everywhere in between, no matter their needs, can receive the end-of-life care and support they deserve.

Our promise

Every gift, no matter the size, makes an extraordinary difference to our community and those we care for. We promise to use your gift to keep providing vital care and support, far into the future, to our patients and their families in Lincolnshire.

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If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our **Legacy Advisors** on **01522 540 300** or at **legacy@stbarnabashospice.co.uk**



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