

Leaving a Request



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A bequest is a gift of personal property named to a beneficiary under a Will. Personal property includes any asset, finances or personal belongings. The Will specifies the terms on which the bequest is made, in particular, the purpose of the gift.



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Why should I leave a bequest?

Leaving a bequest offers you an opportunity to help the Salesian Institute Youth Projects without immediately affecting your own life in these financially challenging times. The decision to remember The Salesian Institute Youth Projects in your Will, estate plan or other long-term financial arrangement is a powerful commitment and will be long remembered, as this contribution to our work will continue to make a difference. Your gift will effectively assist youth at risk, even after you have departed.

By supporting The Salesian Institute Youth Projects in this way, you help to give youth at risk the opportunity to learn new skills, the chance of employment and to be productive citizens. Leaving a bequest may be seen as an investment that will serve as a lasting tribute to a future generation.

How would The Salesian Institute Youth Projects use a bequest from me?

The Salesian Institute Youth Projects will use your gift towards the various programmes at the Institute, that will serve in the best interest of our youths' development towards self-sustainability.

Why make a Will?

The concept of death is seldom a popular topic, yet it is reality. It is important for you to draw up a Will because if you do not, and depart without a Will, the law on intestacy decides what happens to your property. A Will can ensure that proper arrangements are made for your dependants and that your property is distributed in the way you wish after you die, subject to certain rights of spouses/civil partners and children.

When personal estate planning is put in place, you are able to make decisions about:

- What you would like to do with your property after you have passed on?
- Who inherits your property?
- Who will take care of your children?
- Who will administer your estate?
- The documentation you will need to have before you die who will pay for the funeral – are you part of a burial society or is there funeral insurance?
- Is The Salesian Institute Youth Projects named as one of your beneficiaries?

website: www.salesianyouth.org

The Wills Act

People need a Will that has been properly executed. This means that it must be in writing and follows the formalities that have been set out in the Wills Act 7 of 1953 (amended by the Law of Succession Amendment Act 43 of 1992). A Will can give you peace of mind knowing that your wishes will be followed after you have passed on. Drawing up a Will is an important legal act and that is why certain formalities need to be followed. At the same time, a Will can be relatively easy to make and should not be the exclusive domain of lawyers or notary public. A Will should be drawn up before you die. You need to be mentally capable of understanding what you are doing when drawing up this document. This means that you need to be of clear mind about what you own and to whom you wish to leave your property. Anyone over the age of 16 years can prepare a Will, as long as they know and understand what they are doing. You also need to make sure that you have signed your Will and have two witnesses over the age of 14 years who must sign your Will as well.

Getting Reliable Legal Advice

People who cannot afford a lawyer, or do not know where to go for legal advice, should approach the Legal Aid Board, their financial institution, Justice Centre or look for Pro Bono Legal Aid clinics for guidance and assistance. These offices can be found throughout the country. There are also law clinics based at different universities and legal clinics that will assist people who earn below a certain income bracket per month. These clinics apply a means test to see if you really cannot afford a lawyer.





**A List of Advice Office Phone Numbers &
Contact Details of The Legal Aid Offices:**

**South African Human Rights Commission (SAHRC)
Head Office**

Telephone: (011) 484 8300

Legal Aid Justice Centres

Telephone: 086 105 2425
to locate the nearest centre

Masters Office:

Chief Master: Ms Koekie Mbeki (Acting)
Telephone: (012) 315 1627

For more information, please contact our Fundraising Manager

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SALESIAN INSTITUTE YOUTH PROJECTS BEQUEST AGREEMENT

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Married in ____ / out ____ of community of property.
(FULL NAME AND IDENTITY NUMBER and indicate if married in/out of community of property)

Residing at	

(PHYSICAL AND/OR POSTAL ADDRESS) hereby leave and bequeath the following to The Salesian Institute Youth Projects, a non-profit South African organisation, 2 Somerset Road, Green Point, Cape Town, 8001

1. IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
I leave

[Full details of the property to be provided]

2. MOVABLE PROPERTY/ASSETS
I leave The Salesian Institute Youth Projects:

[Full details of immovable assets]

This agreement is to form part of my last will and testament.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AT ON THIS THE DAY OF IN THE PRESENCE OF THE UNDERSIGNED. ALL BEING PRESENT AT THE SAME TIME.

BEQUEATHOR/TESTATOR AS WITNESSES:

Name and Surname
(Witness 1)

Name and Surname
(Witness 2)