

### What could your legacy be?

Leaving a gift in your Will is a highly personal decision.

Our vision is to make music an integral part of care for vulnerable children and adults worldwide.

Could this be your legacy too?



# Leaving a gift in your Will

#### Giving the gift of music

Leaving a gift in your Will is one of the best ways you can help us to make music an integral part of care for vulnerable children and adults worldwide.

Since our founding in 1995 we have achieved so much, working in partnership with over 200 organisations to train more than 800 caregivers and teachers in how to use music to reach those most in need. To date, we've created opportunities for over 60,000 people around the world to access music as part of their care.

As we increase our reach and impact, gifts in Wills are central to our plans for the future. By leaving a gift in your Will, you will help us to plan for the future with confidence and ensure the legacy of our work is a genuine lasting one.

#### A word from our director

When I delivered our first project back in 1995, I never for a moment imagined it would grow to become an international charity that is still improving lives 25 years later.

Although we remain a small organisation, we are forever growing and reaching more people in communities around the world.

With each step we have taken, my belief in the power of music has been continually reinforced as we have touched the lives of thousands of people. While the challenges I encountered in Romania in the mid-90s might not be the same as those we face today, we still have a way to go before music is available to all those who could benefit from it.

We need your help to keep our work going, so please consider leaving a gift or legacy if you can. If you do, you can be safe in the knowledge you will become part of our legacy; a legacy of change, of improvement, of happier lives.

The phenomenal support we've received over the years means more to us than simply funds: We know it means you still believe the job we are doing is an important one.

Thank you for your support.

Alexia Quin

Founder & Director

Music as Therapy International

### You can make a difference

### Just 1% of a £50,000 estate would cover the costs of 2 whole sets of musical instruments

Every year, we provide hundreds of musical instruments to caregivers in schools, hospitals and day centres around the world. It means they can continue using music long after their training is complete and build on the initial impact of our projects to create a lasting legacy of change.

## A legacy gift of £10,000 could pay for up to 10 caregivers to be trained at a care setting anywhere in the world

At the front line of care, caregivers are crucial to the wellbeing of vulnerable people all over the world. Our training gives caregivers the skills, confidence and resources to use music to improve care and share what they have learnt with others locally.

### Leaving a 10% share of a £300,000 estate will enable us to deliver our Distance Learning Programme for the next 5 years

Our Distance Learning Programme in Romania trains caregivers working with children with disabilities to use music. By putting their learning into practice, course graduates have reached over 4,000 children and helped change attitudes towards disability across the country.





# Types of gifts

# There is more than one way you can leave a legacy

#### Cash gift

The gift of a fixed sum of money is also called a pecuniary gift. The value of this type of gift will go down over time as the cost of living increases.

#### Share of your estate

Also known as a residuary gift, this is the remainder of your estate after you've provided for your friends and loved ones.

#### **Specific gift**

The gift of a particular named item that you want to pass on, such as a painting, music collection, piece of jewellery, or even a property.

#### **Gift in Trust**

A gift for someone to use over a specified period of time. Once that period has ended, the gift can be passed on to someone else, or even a charity.



### How to leave a legacy

When leaving a legacy in your Will, it's crucial you get the wording right. Below are some examples of suggested wording for the different types of gifts you can leave.

#### Cash gift (pecuniary gift)

I give the sum of  $\mathfrak L$  (words and figures) to Music as Therapy International, The Mowll Street Business Centre, 11 Mowll Street, London, SW9 6BG, registered charity number 1070760, to be used for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of their Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.

#### Share of your estate (residuary gift)

I give all (or a \_\_\_\_ % share of) the residue of my estate to Music as Therapy International, Mowll Street Business Centre, 11 Mowll Street, London, SW9 6BG, registered charity number 1070760, to be used for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of their Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.

#### **Specific gift**

I give my \_\_\_\_\_ (describe the gift you want to leave, e.g. my music collection) to Music as Therapy International, The Mowll Street Business Centre, 11 Mowll Street, London, SW9 6BG, registered charity number 1070760, to be used for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of their Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.



### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Here are some common questions and answers to help you when deciding to leave us a gift in your Will

### Would a gift of any amount in value would be useful to leave behind?

We are grateful for every gift we receive, no matter how large or small. Regardless of what you are able to give, we are committed to ensuring every donation is put to use where it can have the greatest impact.

#### What kind of gift could I make?

There are three main types of gift that you can leave in your Will: A pecuniary gift (a cash gift or specific sum of money), a residuary gift (a percentage or share of your estate), a specific gift (an item such as a piece of jewellery or art etc). Of the three, residuary gifts are particularly helpful as they usually maintain or increase their value over time and will remain proportional to the value of your estate over time.

#### How will my gift be used?

Your legacy can make an impact that will last for generations. It will help us to continue sharing the skills and resources needed to make music accessible for as many vulnerable people as possible. If you would like your gift to be used for a certain purpose, please get in touch to discuss how we can best fulfil your wishes.

#### Would a new Will have to be made to incorporate a gift?

A new Will may not need to be made if there is a Codicil, which is a document read in conjunction to a Will, stating small changes to a Will. To draft a Codicil, your solicitor will need our registered address and charity details (found on the back page).

#### Is a solicitor needed to make a Will?

We strongly recommend anyone to discuss their Will with a solicitor to ensure that all legal requirements are met and your Will is valid. A properly drafted Will can help reduce Inheritance Tax on your estate and increase the value of your assets.

#### Can Music as Therapy International help with my Will?

Unfortunately, Music as Therapy International is unable to offer any legal advice, or help with writing a Will. We also do not offer the service of finding a solicitor to help with a Will.

#### Do I have to let you know of my plans?

You are under no obligation to tell us you have left a gift in your Will. However, by informing us of your intentions it enables us to plan our future activities more accurately.

### Let us know your plans

### I would like to inform you that I intend to leave a gift in my Will to Music as Therapy International

You are under no obligation to tell us you have left a gift in your Will. However, by informing us of your intentions it enables us to plan our future activities more accurately. You can also change your mind at any time about your gift by changing your Will.

Any personal information you provide us will be held in accordance with our Privacy and Data Protection Policy, which you can view online at: www.musicastherapy.org.

To inform us of an intended gift, please complete the following form and return it to us at: Music as Therapy International, The Mowll Street Business Centre, 11 Mowll Street, London SW9 6BG; or send it by email to info@musicastherapy.org.

Name			
Address			
Email			
Phone			
I am leaving the following gift to Music as Therapy International in my Will:  ☐ A cash gift ☐ A share of my estate ☐ A specific gift ☐ A gift in trust			
I would like to be contacted to discuss this further via:			
	□ Post	☐ Email	□ Phone
Is there anything else you would like to tell us?			
Signature			Date

### In memoriam donations

# A donation in the memory of a loved one is a wonderful way to celebrate their life.

The memory of someone special can live on through the work of Music as Therapy International, which can be a great comfort and way to remember someone close to you.

We are always truly grateful to people who consider donations either in memory of their loved one or in lieu of flowers at a funeral.

No matter the size, these heartfelt gifts will help us pursue our aim of making music an integral part of care for vulnerable children and adults, wherever in the world they may be.





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