



Leave Your Legacy

Help immigrants succeed in college, careers, and in life

A charitable bequest or other planned gift enables you to continue supporting your favorite charity, long into the future.

A charitable bequest is simply a gift from your estate to a charitable organization. It's very easy to leave a charitable bequest for the English Center in your will or other estate plans. Suggested language for your will appears below.

General Bequests are legacies left to specific people or organizations that come from the general value of your estate. They are made by designating a specific dollar amount, a particular asset or a fixed percentage of your estate to the person or organization of your choice.

If you would like to leave a specific amount of money, please use this language: **“I give, devise and bequeath to The English Center (EIN 94-2416184) of Oakland, California, the sum of \$_____, for the benefit of The English Center and its general purposes.”**

If you would like to leave another type of asset, such as property or appreciated stock, please use this language: **“I give, devise and bequeath to The English Center (EIN 94-2416184) of Oakland, California, (description of the asset)_____, for the benefit of The English Center and its general purposes.”**

Residuary Bequests are made when you intend to leave the remainder of your assets after the other terms of your will have been satisfied.

If you would like to leave a residuary bequest, please use this language: **“All the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, both real and personal, I give to The English Center (EIN 94-2416184) of Oakland, California, for its general purposes.”**

Please check with an estate planning attorney to make sure the language reflects your intentions exactly, and that a bequest is the best vehicle for your planned gift. There are many options that an estate planning attorney can explore with you.

If you have any questions, please contact the English Center's Development Director, Melissa White at 510-836-6700 ext. 125, or at development@englishcenter.edu.

Thank you for considering sharing your legacy with the English Center!