



Including MaineCF in Your Will or Trust

Below is sample language for the will or trust of a donor who wishes to leave a bequest to the Maine Community Foundation (MaineCF). Our federal identification number is 01-0391479 and our primary mailing address is 245 Main Street, Ellsworth, ME 04605.

1. Unrestricted, left to the discretion of the MaineCF Board of Directors

I give, devise and bequeath [insert a description of asset or a stated portion of the residuary estate] to the Maine Community Foundation, Inc., a public charity based in Ellsworth, Maine, for its charitable purposes.

If the amount of the bequest meets the minimum contribution requirements of MaineCF, the donor may create a separate fund by name and purpose. We encourage individuals or their attorneys to review the details of these arrangements and fund minimums with MaineCF staff.

2. Unrestricted, but named in memory or in honor of a person

AS #1 ABOVE, PLUS: I desire that this bequest be used to establish a component fund to be known as the “[NAME] FUND” (any name you desire).

3. Bequest to establish a donor-advised fund

AS #1 ABOVE, PLUS: I desire that this bequest be used to establish the “[NAME] FUND” (any name you desire) to benefit nonprofit and public organizations in Maine or elsewhere. In designating organizations to receive grants from the Fund, MaineCF is requested to act upon suggestions submitted in writing by the following: [insert names of advisors].

4. Bequest to designated organizations

AS #1 ABOVE, PLUS: I desire that the proceeds of this fund be used to support the [name(s) of the organization(s) you wish to benefit]. *Note: should your designated organization cease to operate, your funds will be directed to an organization with a related mission.*

5. Bequest for a specific field of interest

AS #1 ABOVE, PLUS: I desire that the proceeds of this bequest be used to support projects and organizations in the field of [personal field(s) of interest or geographic area(s), e.g., education, environment, arts, or a specific Maine county].

6. Bequest for a scholarship fund

AS #1 ABOVE, PLUS as described in a fund agreement on file at the Maine Community Foundation. *Note: due to the complexity of scholarship funds, we ask that you complete a separate fund agreement with MaineCF before including this option in your will or trust.*

For more information and to discuss a specific bequest, please contact Jennifer Southard, vice president of Donor Services and Gift Planning, toll-free at 877-700-6800 or e-mail to jsouthard@mainecf.org