



A GUIDE TO GIFTS IN WILLS

Let your love for animals continue.

A practical guide to leaving a gift in your will to Let's Adopt International.

Read in your own time. There is no obligation.

Why I'm thinking about the years ahead.



Viktor and Nano

When I take responsibility for an animal, I cannot know how long they will need us. Sometimes it means an operation and months of recovery. Sometimes it means daily care for the rest of their life.

I want the work we have built together to continue. That means thinking about the animals already with us and the ones who will need help in the years ahead.

A gift in your will is one way to support that future. It can help pay for treatment, keep daily care going at The Great House and make another rescue possible.

Your loved ones come first. This guide is here to help you explore the idea, not to tell you what to decide. Take your time, and thank you for caring about these animals.

Viktor

Founder, Let's Adopt International

A decision at your own pace.

Your family, loved ones and the animals who depend on you come first. You decide whether a gift to Let's Adopt belongs in your plans, and what form it takes.

Read privately, take your time and discuss your wishes with an independent qualified adviser. You do not have to tell us what you decide.

Find what you need

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This guide provides general information, not legal or tax advice. A qualified professional in the relevant country should advise you on your circumstances.

Some cases need specialist help.



Dickens at the clinic.

Let's Adopt takes on animals with severe injuries, advanced disease, neurological damage and complex care needs.

Their treatment can involve emergency transport, advanced imaging, specialist surgery and hospital care. Taking responsibility means following that treatment through, including complications and the recovery that comes afterwards.

Care continues at The Great House.



Dickens at The Great House.

Daily care means meals, medication, cleaning, veterinary monitoring and time to recover. Some animals go on to a family home. Others stay with us for life. That responsibility continues long after the first rescue.



Care and rehabilitation continue after the emergency.

Alma: six months to reach home.



Alma.

When Alma was rescued, she was in severe pain from an enormous tumour on her leg and was terrified of people.

Her recovery required surgery, months of treatment and the patience to help her trust again. Medical treatment was one part of helping her feel safe.

Six months later, Alma was living in her own home with a family who loved her. People had stayed with her through every stage, from the first emergency to the day she was ready to begin that new life.

A legacy can help make that same commitment possible for animals we have not met yet.

Hope: fourteen years of daily care.

After a car accident in Turkey left Hope paralysed, Let's Adopt brought him to Spain knowing he might need care for the rest of his life. Fourteen years later, that care continues every day.



Hope, using his wheelchair.

What caring for Hope involves

A carefully fitted wheelchair and harness help him move. Cleaning, skin protection and monitoring for urinary infections are part of his daily care.

A legacy can help keep this daily care going.

The resources to care, from the start.

A gift in your will can support the people, treatment and daily work that make a rescue possible and keep its promise afterwards.



Hope.

01 **Act in time**

Emergency transport, diagnostics, stabilisation and hospital admission when an animal needs immediate help.

02 **Treat the difficult case**

Specialist consultations, surgery, hospitalisation and medication for severe or complex conditions.

03 **Complete the recovery**

Rehabilitation, follow-up imaging, wound care, behavioural support and preparation for a safe adoption.

04 **Provide a home for life**

Food, medication, staff, facilities and veterinary monitoring for the animals who remain at The Great House.

An unrestricted gift allows the team to respond where the need is greatest when the gift is received.

[Explore our work and transparency information](#)

Choose the form that fits your plans.

Inheritance laws and terminology differ between countries. Your qualified adviser should explain which options are available and appropriate for you.

A share of what remains

You can leave all or a percentage of the residue of your estate: what remains after debts, expenses and the other provisions in your will have been dealt with. Because its value changes with your estate, this can be more flexible than a fixed amount.

A fixed amount

You can leave a specific sum to Let's Adopt. Ask your adviser whether the wording should account for inflation or changes in the value of money.

A specific asset

You may be able to leave property, shares, digital assets, artwork or another named asset. Contact us before including this kind of gift. Legal, tax and practical requirements vary, and we may not be able to accept every asset.

Some countries also allow beneficiary designations, trusts or similar arrangements. An adviser in the relevant jurisdiction can explain whether any of these are suitable.

Six steps to discuss with your adviser.

An independent lawyer, notary or other qualified professional should act in your interests and on your instructions.

01 **Start with those who depend on you**

Note your responsibilities, the people you want to provide for and the arrangements needed for animals in your care.

02 **Prepare for the meeting**

List your main assets and debts, any existing will and any links to other countries, including nationality, residence or property. Keep this information private; do not send it to Let's Adopt.

03 **Choose who will administer your estate**

Choose a person or professional who is willing and able to carry out your instructions. The title and role differ between legal systems.

04 **Use an independent qualified professional**

Ask an authorised adviser in the relevant country to draft or update your will and explain the formalities needed to make it valid.

05 **Confirm the correct legal identity**

Give your adviser the information on page 14. Ask them to confirm the appropriate recipient and current details with us before signing.

06 **Store your will safely and review it**

Tell a trusted person where the original is kept. Review it after major changes such as marriage, separation, a birth, a death, a move abroad or a significant change in assets.

Telling Let's Adopt is optional. It does not bind you or replace the instructions in your legally valid will.

Talk before the wording is final.

Some gifts need discussion before they are included in a will. We can explain the organisation's needs and practical limits; your adviser should prepare the legal wording.

A particular area of work

You may express a preference for emergency veterinary care, The Great House or animals needing lifelong support. If you want a legally binding restriction, speak with us first. Programmes and needs can change, and a narrow restriction may become impossible to fulfil. A restricted purpose must be discussed and agreed with us in writing.

Property, shares or another asset

Before accepting a specific asset, Let's Adopt may need to assess ownership, liabilities, maintenance, tax, environmental risk, marketability and the practical cost of acceptance. Contact us before the wording is final.

More than one country

Residence, nationality and the location of assets can affect how an estate is handled. Tax rules are separate. Use an adviser with experience in the relevant jurisdictions to confirm the recipient, applicable law and suitable wording.

Clear answers before you decide.

Do I need to be wealthy to leave a gift?

No. A fixed sum or a share of what remains can reflect your circumstances. The right amount is the one that works for you and the people you care about.

Can I change my mind?

Yes. Including a gift in your will does not transfer money during your lifetime. Ask your qualified adviser to amend or remove it using the legal formalities that apply to you.

Do I have to tell Let's Adopt?

No. Your will is private. Telling us is entirely optional and does not create a binding commitment. You can contact us simply to ask a question.

Will my gift receive tax relief?

Let's Adopt cannot promise a tax benefit. Treatment depends on your country, residence, estate and the recipient organisation. Ask a qualified legal or tax adviser to verify what applies.

What if the organisation changes?

Ask your adviser about suitable wording for a change of name, merger or successor organisation, and how your wishes should be handled if circumstances change.

Make a separate care plan for them.

A gift to Let's Adopt does not create an agreement for us to take responsibility for your animals. A will alone cannot guarantee them a place.



Kiko.

Prepare a written plan with the people or organisations who have agreed to help. Make sure it includes:

01 A willing primary carer and a backup

Confirm who can take responsibility and how they can be reached.

02 The information needed for daily care

Keep veterinary records, microchip details, medication and routines together.

03 Arrangements to support the cost of care

Discuss suitable provision with your adviser and the proposed carer.

04 Instructions that people can find

Tell a trusted person where your plan is kept and review it when needs change.

Only rely on Let's Adopt if a specific arrangement has been assessed and agreed with us in writing.

Information for your legal adviser

Ask us to confirm the appropriate recipient and current details for your circumstances before your adviser finalises your will.

Full legal name

Stichting Lets Adopt International

Registered country

Netherlands

Registered address

Zamenhofstraat 150, 1022 AG Amsterdam, Netherlands

**Dutch Chamber of Commerce
(KvK) number**

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(RSIN) number**

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Legacy and executor enquiries

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Tax status

No tax relief is claimed in this guide. Ask a qualified adviser to verify the treatment that is applicable in the appropriate jurisdiction.

Independent advice, tailored to you

This guide is general information, not legal or tax advice. Your qualified adviser should confirm the recipient, wording and treatment appropriate to your circumstances. No universal will clause is provided.

You can ask before you make a decision.

We can answer questions about Let's Adopt, explain how gifts are used and provide the current details your adviser needs. You are welcome to contact us before making any decision.

Contact Viktor

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Already included us in your will?

If you choose to tell us, we can thank you, understand any preference and give your executor the right contact details. Your notification is not binding, and you remain free to change your plans.

For executors and legal advisers

Please include the deceased person's name, your own contact details and any relevant reference. Do not send an original will through the website form.

Your privacy

We use your information to answer your enquiry and record what you choose to share. We do not ask for the value of your estate, a copy of your will or your bank details when you enquire about a legacy. You will not be added to fundraising emails unless you give separate permission.

The next animal has not arrived yet.



Nancy, using her wheelchair.

One day, another animal will need emergency surgery, months of rehabilitation or a safe home for life.

A gift in your will can help make sure there is still a team ready to act, and able to stay for as long as that animal needs us.

Thank you for caring about that future,
and for taking the time to read this guide.

Take the next step in your own time

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No obligation. Your decision remains yours.