

YOUR LEGACY FOR FARM ANIMALS

Remembering Compassion in World Farming in your Will

LEAVING A POWERFUL LEGACY

Factory farming is the single biggest cause of animal cruelty in the world. Billions of farm animals are suffering each year in grim industrial sheds, in cramped cages, and on trucks transported huge distances. Together, through a gift in your Will, we can end this misery.

No one else does what we do. Compassion in World Farming's international, evidence-based campaigns secure proper legal protection for farm animals. Our Investigations Unit exposes illegal practices and untold suffering. We challenge the world's biggest food companies to improve the lives of farm animals. And we reach out to schools and colleges to get farm animal welfare on the agenda for the next generation.

Compassion in World Farming receives no government funding. We depend entirely on the generosity of visionary people like you. And, every year, gifts in Wills make a huge contribution towards everything we do to change the lives of animals worldwide.

If you are thinking of making or updating your Will, you have an amazing opportunity to determine the future for farm animals. Your legacy could bring compassion to every nation, food company, farm and kitchen table. **Together, we will end the cruelty of factory farming.**



Philip Lymbery Chief Executive, Compassion in World Farming

A GIFT IN YOUR WILL IS A POWERFUL WAY OF PROTECTING FUTURE GENERATIONS OF FARM ANIMALS. UP TO HALF OF ALL OUR WORK TO END FACTORY FARMING IS FUNDED IN THIS VISIONARY WAY.

IT IS NOW ILLEGAL IN THE EUROPEAN UNION TO KEEP HENS IN BARREN BATTERY CAGES. YOUR COMPASSION <u>CAN</u> CHANGE THE WORLD.



A legacy is a gift that costs nothing during your lifetime but has the power to help end the cruelty of factory farming. And your gift doesn't have to be big. All gifts bring hope for the way that future generations of farm animals will be treated.

There are two main types of charitable legacies:

A residual gift is all, or a percentage of, your estate once all other bequests, costs, etc have been deducted. For example, a bequest of 10% of an estate valued at £200,000 would provide a gift of £20,000. A residual gift is the most valuable to us, keeping pace with inflation, and ensuring we can fight even harder for farm animals. This type of gift can also help reduce the need for frequent updating of your Will.

A pecuniary gift is a specific amount of money. The value of pecuniary legacies decreases over time; for example a generous gift of £2,000 pledged today will be less valuable in future years as the cost of living increases.

We promise to put your compassion into action and reach out to the animals that need our protection.

I deal with lots of NGOs and many of them are fine organisations, but I can honestly say that Compassion in World Farming is probably the finest. It isn't just that their cause is just. They espouse it with such calmness and reason.

Martin Hickman, The Independent

WRITING OR UPDATING YOUR WILL

Having an up-to-date Will is the only way to ensure that your wishes are carried out as you would like. It brings peace of mind as well as an opportunity to remember loved ones and the causes that are close to your heart.

Whether you're making your first Will or updating it, we always recommend you use a gualified solicitor. When making your Will, if you would like Compassion in World Farming to benefit from the residue of your estate, you can **use the wording** found on the How We Can Help insert at the back of this booklet.

Sometimes, **inheritance tax** may need to be paid on an estate. However, there is no inheritance tax due on gifts to charity. If you do have a larger estate, choosing to give a charitable gift can reduce the overall inheritance tax on everything else you leave in your Will. Take a look at the Inheritance Tax insert at the back of this booklet for more information.

The impact of your legacy could be to change the face of farming forever.

⁴⁴ Compassion in World Farming punches well above its weight. Pound for pound, I think they contribute more to the cause of animal welfare than any other group I've ever met.

John Webster, Emeritus Professor, Bristol University Veterinary School



THANKS TO THE LONG-TERM VISION OF COMPASSION SUPPORTERS, THERE IS NOW A EUROPEAN UNION BAN ON PIGS BEING PERMANENTLY CONFINED IN NARROW CAGES.



LEGACIES FROM PEOPLE LIKE YOU HELPED COMPASSION SECURE A BAN ON VEAL CRATES ACROSS THE EUROPEAN UNION.

PROTECTING FUTURE GENERATIONS OF FARM ANIMALS

⁶⁶ When my late husband and I made our first Wills, we did so mainly to ensure guardianship of our three children, who were young at the time. After my husband's death, I knew I must get around to making a new Will. My children were now grown up and my situation had changed.

Being lucky enough to have three lovely children – and two granddaughters – I have left the bulk of my modest estate to them. But I feel so committed to my work to help farm animals, that I have included a residuary legacy to Compassion in World Farming in my Will.

Having talked this through with my solicitor, I realised that a residuary legacy is likely to be worth far more than a cash sum. The residuary legacy keeps pace with inflation, whereas the real value of cash sums decreases every year. Dividing my estate into residuary portions also means I shouldn't have to review my Will again and it ensures that my family can also benefit.

As a supporter of our vital work for farm animals, I do hope that, like me, you will consider leaving a legacy to Compassion so that we can continue to work with energy, integrity and commitment to help farm animals everywhere.⁹⁹



Joyce D'Silva Ambassador, Compassion in World Farming

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WE'RE HERE TO HELP

There are lots of ways we can help you with making or updating your Will. We offer a free Will-writing service, we can act as an executor to your Will and we can even keep your Will safely in our head office.

Please do also take a look at the short DVD enclosed here. In just four minutes, the wonderful Joanna Lumley explains the story of Compassion and gifts in Wills. You can also view this short film and get more information about gift in Wills on our website **ciwf.org.uk/legacy**

Should you decide to leave a legacy to Compassion in World Farming, we would also love to hear from you.

If you have any questions, need any more information, or want to let us know about a gift, please do get in touch!

You can call our legacy team on **01483 521 953** (our lines are open Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm), email us anytime at **legacy@ciwf.org**, or write to us at our international headquarters – see address opposite. Feel free to use the forms enclosed here, returning to us in the freepost envelope provided.



⁴⁴ Over the past 30 years I've seen what Compassion has done to alleviate the harm done to factory farmed animals. By remembering Compassion in our Wills, we can leave behind us a legacy that can look after the way that creatures are farmed in the future.³⁹

Joanna Lumley

Actress and patron of Compassion in World Farming



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Compassion in World Farming

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HOW WE CAN HELP

We are here to help! If we can be of any assistance, please don't hesitate to get in contact by completing this form and returning it in the enclosed freepost envelope. We will be in touch shortly.

- □ I would like the National Free Wills Network to send me an information pack on the **free Will writing service**.
- □ I would like more information about the Compassion in World Farming **executor service**.
- □ I would like Compassion in World Farming to **hold a copy of my Will**.
- □ I would like to receive a copy of Compassion in World Farming's **Annual Review**.
- □ I would like someone from Compassion in World Farming to **contact me** about leaving a legacy to end factory farming.

If you are planning to remember Compassion in World Farming in your Will with a residuary gift, the following wording can be used:

I give the residue (or a portion of the residue) of my estate to Compassion in World Farming International (registered charity no. 1095050 (England and Wales); company limited by guarantee no. 4590804) of River Court, Mill Lane, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 1EZ, U.K. for its charitable purposes. Please include your details and return this form in the freepost envelope provided.

NAME
ADDRESS
POSTCODE
SUPPORTER NUMBER (if known)
\Box I am happy for you to email me at:

 \Box I am happy for you to call me on:

If you would like any other information or advice, please call us on 01483 521 953 (lines are open Monday to Friday, 9am–5pm) or email us at legacy@ciwf.org

Thank you for your interest in supporting Compassion in World Farming with a gift in your Will.

CONTACT THE LEGACY TEAM

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PLEASE LET US KNOW

By remembering Compassion in World Farming in your Will, you will help change the future for billions of farm animals.

If you decide to include us in your Will, we would love to hear from you. By telling us about your legacy you can help us plan to make the greatest possible difference for farm animals, and make sure we don't send you any unwanted communications about your Will in the future. Simply fill out this form and return it in the freepost envelope provided.

□ I have already included Compassion in World Farming as a beneficiary in my Will.

To thank you for your special commitment to farm animal welfare, we would like to send you an exclusive Compassion in World Farming lapel pin.

 \Box Please tick this box if you would prefer not to receive a lapel pin.

If you'd like to tell us more about your gift, please do so here:

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INHERITANCE TAX

The inheritance tax threshold is currently £325,000, above which inheritance tax is payable at a rate of 40%. If your estate is liable, you could reduce the amount due by choosing to give a gift in your Will to charity.

For example, if the total value of all your assets is £337,000 your estate would be liable to pay £4,800 in inheritance tax, being 40% of the taxable amount of £12,000. However, if you left £10,000 to Compassion in World Farming, the taxable amount would only be £2,000 and the tax payable would be £800.

It's also worth noting that, from 2012, anyone leaving 10% of their estate to charity pays inheritance tax at a reduced rate of 36%.