

# Your Environmental Legacy

Leave a gift to nature in your Will



## About BioDiversity Legacy

BioDiversity Legacy was formed with a singular vision – to give landholders, community groups, environmental organisations and donors greater security in protecting the land they love for biodiversity and future generations - **protecting land for good.**

Our pioneering land protection pathways enable landholders and communities to place land into long-term protection, empowering local groups to steward and connect these landscapes in ways that enhance biodiversity and bring communities together.

BioDiversity Legacy offers its services free of charge. As a registered charity, we invite one-off and monthly donations, **but for some supporters, the most meaningful way to contribute is by leaving a gift in your Will – a legacy that continues their care for the land, its ecosystems and biodiversity well into the future.**

## What your gift makes possible

A bequest is an extraordinary act of generosity and a powerful way to make a lasting difference. By leaving a gift in your Will, you will help further our mission and purpose - to empower local people and communities to protect, steward and connect lands and waters for biodiversity and conservation.

Your generous gift will allow us to secure properties that are important to the community, improve health and wellbeing by restoring biodiversity and connecting people with nature.

### How to leave a gift in your will

If you are planning to remember BioDiversity Legacy in your Will, we recommend that you discuss your wishes with your family, solicitor and our team first (contact Dixie Fitzclarence).

By informing us of your plans, you will become part of a special group of supporters. Any information you share with us is simply a statement of your current intentions; it is not legally binding and is confidential.

**For a confidential discussion, please contact:**

Dixie Fitzclarence: [dixie.fitzclarence@biodiversitylegacy.org.au](mailto:dixie.fitzclarence@biodiversitylegacy.org.au)



## Suggested wording for your will

Many people who care deeply about land and biodiversity choose to include BioDiversity Legacy in their Will. This can take the form of a financial gift or support for ongoing programs that protect landscapes, empower landholders and conserve biodiversity for future generations.

If you would like to leave a gift to BioDiversity Legacy, we recommend that you work with a solicitor or Public Trustee to ensure your wishes are clearly reflected. To make this as simple as possible, you can share the following suggested wording with your solicitor:

### **Gift of money to BioDiversity Legacy**

*I give, free of all duties and taxes, the sum of [\$amount] or [the whole/##%] of my estate to BioDiversity Legacy (ABN 20 660 808 855) of 388 Raymond Street, Sale, Victoria, 3850, Australia, for its general purposes.*

*I declare that the receipt of a proper officer for the time being of BioDiversity Legacy will be a sufficient discharge for my trustees.*

### **Gift of the whole or % of the residuary estate to BioDiversity Legacy**

*I give, free of all duties and taxes, [the whole or ##%] of my net real and personal estate to BioDiversity Legacy (ABN 20 660 808 855) of 388 Raymond Street, Sale, Victoria, 3850, Australia (BioDiversity Legacy) for its general purposes.*

*I declare that the receipt of a proper officer for the time being of BioDiversity Legacy will be a sufficient discharge for my trustees.*

### **Gift of specific property to BioDiversity Legacy**

*I give, free of all duties and taxes, my [land or property] located at [street address] more particularly described as volume [#] folio [#] to BioDiversity Legacy (ABN 20 660 808 855) of 388 Raymond Street, Sale, Victoria, 3850, Australia (BioDiversity Legacy) for its general purposes.*

*I declare that the receipt of a proper officer for the time being of BioDiversity Legacy will be a sufficient discharge for my trustees.*

**Please note:** If you would like to bequeath a particular piece of land to us with specific purposes to be fulfilled, please also consider the holding expenses. Unfortunately, if there are insufficient funds to hold a particular parcel of land which has been gifted with specific purposes, we may not be able to accept the gift if we cannot meet the associated running costs.

**Thank you! Every contribution helps protect land for good.**

For more, [visit our website](#) (link or use the QR code).

