



Fairfield University

Gift by Bequest

Thank you for considering a charitable bequest in your estate plans. By doing so, you carry forward your deeply held values, securing a vibrant future for Fairfield University and future generations of Stags. The following information is designed to help you and your attorney draft a bequest that achieves your philanthropic goals.

To ensure your intentions for Fairfield University are reflected, please make sure our correct legal name and is used in all final documents:

“Fairfield University, 1073 North Benson Road, Fairfield, Connecticut 06824, a Connecticut nonprofit corporation, or its successor, Federal Tax Identification Number: 06-0646623.”

Sample Bequest Language options your attorney can integrate into your will or trust.

General Bequest of a specific amount may be worded:

“I give to Fairfield University, 1073 North Benson Road, Fairfield, Connecticut 06824, a Connecticut nonprofit corporation, or its successor, Federal Tax Identification Number 06-0646623 the sum of _____ dollars (\$_____).

Residuary Bequest, after other bequests and expenses have been paid, may be worded:

“I give to Fairfield University, 1073 North Benson Road, Fairfield, Connecticut 06824, a Connecticut nonprofit corporation, or its successor, Federal Tax Identification Number 06-0646623, all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate.” *[or a portion of the residuary:]* “_____ percent (_____%) of the residue of my estate.”

Contingent Bequest if the person making the will is not survived by certain individuals:

“If [*name/s of primary beneficiary/ies*] do/es not survive me, or shall die within ninety (90) days from the date of my death, then I give to Fairfield University, 1073 North Benson Road, Fairfield, Connecticut 06824, a Connecticut nonprofit corporation, or its successor, Federal Tax Identification Number 06-0646623, [*insert here the exact dollar amount, description of property, or percentage of residual estate*].”

Specific Bequest of a certain asset* from your estate may be worded:

"I give to Fairfield University, 1073 North Benson Road, Fairfield, Connecticut 06824, a Connecticut nonprofit corporation, or its successor, Federal Tax Identification Number 06-0646623, *[insert here a description of the particular property]*."

***Specific Assets** Individuals are encouraged to contact the Office of Gift Planning if a gift of personal or tangible property is being considered.



For all types of bequests, please include the following cy pres language:

"In the event the aforesaid terms or preferences stated in this gift agreement become impossible or impractical to fulfill, I hereby grant the Board of Trustees of Fairfield University the ability to apply this fund to a purpose that best approximates my gift intentions."

Next Steps: When the bequest provision is finalized, donors are encouraged to send a copy of the portion of the document pertaining to the estate gift, along with contact information of the estate representative, to Fairfield University's Gift Planning Office. Sharing your plans will allow us to thank you for your generous foresight and welcome you to join the Bellarmine Society, our donor recognition society for individuals who have made estate provisions or other planned gifts.

Contact us if you have questions or if you have named Fairfield in your plans:

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