



# Leaving a Gift in your Will

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Making a Difference  
in Sheffield





**Making  
a difference to  
the lives of families**

“Through Little Sparklers we meet families in similar situations and share experiences, discuss medical opinion and offer each other help and advice.”

*Karen, whose daughter Nyah attended our pre-school playgroup for visually impaired children.*

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# How will a gift in my will help SRSB?

SRSB provides a lifeline to visually impaired people of all ages across Sheffield City Region. With our wide range of services and support we are here to help people through the challenges they face and to celebrate their achievements with them.



Hayley

“That first visit to SRSB I remember clearly like a weight had lightened, I’d found somewhere that understood my frustrations and just as important, could help me.”

*Hayley, 41, a young mum, gradually losing her sight through Retinitis Pigmentosa.*

“For the first time in a long time, Dad was happy, secure and no longer paralysed by loneliness. I can’t thank you enough, for all that you did for him, but also for the huge comfort it was to his family knowing that he was in such a happy, caring environment.”

*Son of a resident at Cairn Home, Crosspool, our care home for elderly people with sight problems.*



David

“I used to be a driver and was heartbroken to leave my job when my sight deteriorated. Coming to SRSB was the best thing I ever did and it has meant a lot to me, as I would have become very depressed. Attending the centre has motivated me and the atmosphere is great. I would recommend it to anyone!”

*David, 76, who has been coming to SRSB for over 25 years.*

“Thank you for offering me a lifeline at a time in my life when nothing will be the same again. It’s given me hope and comfort. Having this link with you has helped my depression too, as I really was at rock bottom.”

*Sue, 54, following the sudden loss of sight in one eye.*



Sue

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# Why does SRSB need a gift in my will?



“Having a child born with albinism and visually impaired and not really knowing much about it was very daunting.

However SRSB were life savers. From attending Little Sparklers when Finlay was just a few weeks old, to making life-long friends, to the advice and support provided by staff, to nipping in for a coffee and a chat. It’s like having that one friend you always can turn to and rely on. Knowing Finlay will have this support in place as he grows is reassuring.”

*Abi, whose son Finlay attended our ‘Little Sparklers’ pre-school playgroup for visually impaired children until he went to mainstream school.*

SRSB is a totally independent Sheffield charity which receives no grants from government or national charities. We undertake some work on behalf of Sheffield City Council but this only accounts for 3% of our total income.

Many charities simply wouldn’t survive without gifts left in **wills**. In fact, our charity started over 155 years ago enabled by a legacy.

The demand for our support is still growing and will increase in the future. We currently support over 3,600 people with sight loss across Sheffield City Region, and each year 400 new clients are referred to us. We need to continue to provide the support that our clients rely upon into the future.

Legacies continue to be a vital source of income to SRSB. A gift in your **will** could be your legacy for blind and partially sighted people across Sheffield City Region ensuring our work lives on.

**SRSB provides opportunity, support, friendship and services to blind and partially sighted people across Sheffield City Region, helping them to achieve whatever they wish to do and whatever they aspire to be.**

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# Why do I need to make a will?

It is advisable that if you are over 18 and you want to ensure that your assets are given as you wish them to be, you should make a **will**.

It is only natural that you want to make sure that the people that you care about are provided for, but after you have thought about family and friends please please consider including a gift to SRSB.

# Discounted will service

Making a **will** is easier than you think and if you would like to support us in this way, then please get in touch.

We are working with a panel of solicitors in Sheffield to offer independent advice to you at a discounted price.

In addition to offering a discounted **will** service, at certain times of the year SRSB offers a **FREE will** service via the same panel of solicitors.

“Because SRSB has been there for me and looked after me, I would like to leave this gift as a thank you for SRSB’s help.”

*Ivy, a client who had decided to include a gift to SRSB in her will.*

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# How will my legacy live on?

SRSB has been around for over 155 years offering support, advice and friendship to visually impaired people across Sheffield City Region. We have to make sure that we will be here for future generations and your legacy will help us to do this.

You are welcome to visit our centre on Mappin Street so that you can see the work that we do and how your gift would make a difference.

If you would like to speak to us to discuss our **will** service in more detail, or arrange a visit, then please do contact us.

**Sue Coggin**

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**Our Mappin Street Centre**

**If you would like this leaflet in any alternative formats please let us know.**



SRSB is a Visionary organisation



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# What do I need to do next?



If you would like to find out more about leaving a gift in your **will** or our discounted will service, then please fill in the form overleaf and return it to:

**Sue Coggin, Legacy Officer**

Sheffield Royal Society  
for the Blind (SRSB)  
5 Mappin Street  
Sheffield, S1 4DT

SRSB is a totally independent Sheffield based charity. We are sometimes confused with other national charities which can cause complications if you wish your gift to be given to SRSB.

If you have already decided to leave a gift to SRSB in your **will**, you should inform your solicitor that your gift is for:

**Sheffield Royal Society for  
the Blind (SRSB)**  
5 Mappin Street  
Sheffield, S1 4DT

**Charity number:  
1047257**

Please let us know if you have decided to include us in your **will**, as we would like to thank you.

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# Contact form

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Any other details...

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