

**YOUR PASSION. YOUR COMMITMENT.**

*your legacy*



# memories

## What are your memories?

**After nearly 40 years of Global Care, we've been looking back at what has been important to us, and what we have achieved.**

When thinking about writing your will, you may do the same. For many, looking back on their lives, their loved ones are central. It's natural that when writing a will, your main priority is taking care of your family and friends.

Other elements which stand out might be the motivating factors driving the good things you have done, and the values

which have shaped your life.

Many people like you decide to leave a legacy which reflects what they really believe in. This can help you continue to make an impact even after your lifetime, and create a lasting memory for your family. Looking over the lifetime of Global Care, it is clear we believe:

- ✓ Poverty matters.
- ✓ Every child has value.
- ✓ It is right to challenge injustice.
- ✓ Anyone can make a difference.

If you remember us in your will, together we could create a legacy which surpasses our lifetimes, so our values live on through the children we support.





# mission

## Our mission

**Thanks to the generosity and commitment of our partners, we have worked to care for the poorest of the poor for nearly 40 years.**

We work to remove additional barriers preventing children and families from breaking out of poverty.

We are a Christian charity; our practice is rooted in our faith in Jesus Christ. We are called to share the love of God with all people, regardless of faith or ethnicity - we believe every child is unique and precious.

We aim to promote self-sufficiency, helping vulnerable children grow into strong adults, able one day to support both themselves and their families.

# help so far

## Who we've helped so far

In 1990, we opened 'The Home of Hope' in ROMANIA – a model of best practice in family-based childcare.

Since 1998 we've helped hundreds of children at risk in a beach slum in SRI LANKA through the Morning Star School and Care Centre.

In 2001, we provided EMERGENCY RELIEF AID following the Gujarat Earthquake, relief to victims of the Boxing Day Tsunami in 2004, to those affected by Cyclone Sidr in Bangladesh in 2007.

In 2015, we began supporting a pioneering scheme mentoring street children in GUATEMALA.

In 2019, we began supporting war-traumatised children in SYRIA, improving access to education and psychological support.

## Reina's story

**Reina was born with sickle cell anaemia in a family displaced by rebel insurgents in northern Uganda**

Her mum was HIV positive and frequently ill, and Reina often had to look after her two younger siblings. At the age of nine, Reina joined Global Care's sponsorship programme. Her health remained poor and staff frequently needed to take her for blood transfusions. They also had to step in when Reina's mother tried to commit suicide in despair.

Despite all these challenges Reina completed secondary school, and went on to study early childhood and development.

She is now a teacher, supporting herself and her family, and helping more children who, like her, need a hand up in life.





transformed

## Sultana's story

**Growing up in a Muslim-dominated area in central Kolkata, Sultana was forbidden from freely leaving her house. Her life was mapped out for her; she should stay indoors, attend to house chores, and become engaged when she reached puberty.**

However, when she was accepted onto Global Care's child sponsorship programme, her life changed. Sultana explains:

"I feel proud to say that through the sponsorship programme, I graduated successfully from non-formal education and also completed the final exams of the formal school education programme."

She went on to study sewing and tailoring at university, and now works for an organisation which aims to change the lives of children living on the streets through access to education from a young age.

Just like for Sultana and Reina, your gift could have an extraordinary ripple effect. Through sponsorship, these young women attained a good education and now have a positive effect on many other children's lives.

**With your help, we can do more to help more children who are more vulnerable.**

By writing us into your will, you can help us rewrite the futures of vulnerable children for years to come.



# safety

## Your home is a safe space

**In Guatemala we support street children through a pioneering mentoring programme, which helps children at risk of violence, gangs, abuse and exploitation.**

Regular contact with a safe adult helps children, over time, seek change. When **home just isn't safe**, mentored children can access a drop-in centre during the day where they can play and relax.

A short-term **protection home** offers safety and shelter to children and families in immediate crisis, while longer-term solutions can be found.

**Legacy gifts helped the protection home get started – could your legacy transform the lives of equally vulnerable children?**

In Sri Lanka, we help to fund Heavena: a refuge and transitional shelter for women and children who have suffered domestic violence and abuse. Up to 15 women and 20 children can make a **home** in Heavena, for up to nine months, and are offered psychological help and skills training. Children at Heavena are able to attend school.

**Leaving a percentage of your estate to help a child find a place of safety could be a really special way of leaving a legacy.**

You've worked hard to earn the money and assets you now have – why not do something amazing? Use money from your much-loved home to create a loving safe space for a family or child in need.

# impact

## What could your money do?

**At Global Care, we are careful to steward our money to maximize the amount sent to vulnerable children.**

Your money could go anywhere in the world, helping the most vulnerable children access education, showing that you value every child.

Thanks to money from legacies in recent years...



...we bought a new minibus, and adapted it to meet the needs of transporting children with disabilities in Uganda.

...we carried out remedial work on a children's home in Yangon.



... and we were able to contribute a significant sum towards refurbishing a new short-term Protection Home for children at risk on the streets of Guatemala City.



A gift of 5% of a £150,000 estate would pay for a pre-school for 30 children from illiterate farming and fishing families in rural Bangladesh for three years.



*Life*

## A gift of life: Sponsor a child

**A very special way to make a difference is not only to care for your own loved ones, but also to sponsor a vulnerable child – like Sultana or Reina. This gift can have a ripple effect which lasts for generations.**

If you decide to give what is called a pecuniary legacy (leaving a stated sum of money), you could give the exact amount needed to sponsor a child all the way through their education. Your family members would receive letters from your sponsored child, in tribute to your life and generosity.

It costs just £5000 to sponsor a child through 15 years of education.

# promise

## Our promises to you

### 1) We understand that your loved ones come first

We won't pressure you into giving more than you are able. Your main priority will be to ensure that your loved ones are fully taken care of. Whatever you feel able to give will be fully appreciated, and will be used to support vulnerable children.

### 2) We will handle your data securely

Your privacy is our priority: we know that the details of your legacy are close to your heart, and if you choose to share them with us we will guard them well. We handle your data in accordance with relevant legal policies, to ensure everyone is protected.

### 3) Your gift will be appreciated and stewarded wisely

We are committed to using our income wisely and carefully, ensuring as much money as possible goes directly to help the people who need it most. We know you want to give to vulnerable children, and so we will ensure as much money as possible goes to the most vulnerable.

### 4) We will be contactable if you have any queries or concerns

If you tell us you are leaving a legacy, we see you as our partner. If you have any queries, our Donor Development officer will be happy to answer your questions. We are not qualified to offer legal advice, please contact a solicitor with any legal queries.



# your Legacy

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What happens if I don't make a will?**

If you do not have a will when you die (intestate), the intestacy rules come into force. Your estate will be divided in ways which may not follow your wishes; for instance, intestacy rules make no provision for anyone not related by blood or marriage. Making a will removes uncertainty, and makes dealing with your estate simple for your family.

### **Does it cost a lot to make/change a will?**

Drawing up a will, even with the help of a solicitor, can be surprisingly inexpensive. Costs of a simple will start around £90. It is a worthwhile investment.

The benefit of using a solicitor is to give you confidence that the job is done properly. It is a good idea to review your will periodically to ensure it is up to date. Minor alterations can be made by making a "codicil", typically costing between £40 and £70.

### **Can I specify where I want to send my money?**

Yes - we want to help you to support a cause to which you are committed. Maybe your heart is with the children of war-torn Syria, or perhaps you are passionate about our work supporting children with disabilities in Uganda or street children in India or Guatemala. We will honour your

wishes if you want to specify a particular project, or you can simply request it is spent wherever the need is greatest.

If a project to which you wish to donate closes down, we will notify you so you can amend your will, if we are aware of your intended legacy. If your will is not changed, we will put the funds towards a similar project wherever possible, or if necessary, to wherever the need is greatest.

### **If I leave a gift, will I pay less tax?**

If you decide to leave at least 10% of your 'net estate' to charity, you could cut Inheritance Tax from 40% to 36%. However, the Inheritance Tax allowance is currently £325,000, so the tax is only applicable if your estate is valued over £325,000.

All legacies left to charities are themselves free from inheritance tax. Your solicitor should be able to advise you on how to make your will as tax efficient as possible.

### **Do I need to tell Global Care if I have included them in my will?**

No – it is your right to keep this information to yourself. However, we would love to thank you for your gift, so if you would like to tell us, you can fill out our 'Stay in Touch' form and let us know, with as much or as little detail as you prefer.

**For further FAQs please visit:**  
[www.globalcare.org/legacies](http://www.globalcare.org/legacies)

# Thank You

By writing us into your will, you can help us rewrite the futures of vulnerable children for years to come. Thank you for your interest in our work. Find out more at [www.globalcare.org](http://www.globalcare.org)





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