

Come what may, we'll be there

We are small but mighty, our costs are low, and our work is driven by local partners who have deep knowledge of community needs.

This means we are well-positioned to adapt and respond to changing needs on a local, national and global level, from solving community problems like broken taps and lack of toilet facilities, to supporting our partners through the Ebola outbreak, to most recently protecting community members from the Coronavirus pandemic and its wider effects on livelihoods, economies and poverty.

HOW TO LEAVE A LEGACY GIFT IN A WAY THAT WORKS FOR YOU

There are a number of ways to leave a profound impact for people facing poverty. We've given examples below to help with wording for your Will, but we suggest that you may wish to discuss these options with your solicitor, including how each may affect inheritance tax.

RESIDUARY GIFT

This is a % share of your estate. This type of gift is popular because you can make sure your loved ones are taken care of and leave a remaining share to Action on Poverty, and the gift will keep pace with inflation and the value of your estate. Even 1% of your remaining estate could transform the lives of many.

Example: "I give a% share of the residue of my estate to..."

PECUNIARY GIFT

This is a fixed sum of money. If you would like this to adjust alongside inflation, you can include some wording to reflect this.

Example: "I give the sum of £(words & figures), inflation linked to the Retail Price Index from the date of this Will, to..."

SPECIFIC GIFT

This is a named item, such as a piece of jewellery, art or property.

Example: "I give my _____ (describe the gift/gifts you wish to leave in as much detail as possible) to..."

You can complete this with wording similar to:

"APT Action On Poverty of Nicholas House, Heath Park, Main Road, Cropthorne, Worcestershire, WR10 3NE, registered charity no. 290836, to be used for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of their Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my executors."

If you'd like to ask any questions about our work or leaving a gift, Megan would be glad to help.
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Leave the gift of a future free from poverty



Women in Tanzania drying fruit using solar heat for their small business

Choosing to leave a gift in your Will to Action on Poverty is a lasting investment in the futures of those facing the most debilitating poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa.

This gift will enable people to transform their lives by gaining the skills to earn a living for life. They go on to support their whole community to improve their access to food and services, send their children to school and build a positive future.

This is the most profoundly kind gesture and we are incredibly grateful. Thank you for considering such an incredible gift.

Your legacy will transform lives for good

The world is becoming increasingly unpredictable. National and global crises ranging from natural disasters, viruses, conflict and climate change affect us all, but the world's most vulnerable people facing the greatest poverty will feel these crises most deeply.

With the help of our supporters, we target the most marginalised people in the hardest to reach areas where poverty is greatest to give them the tools they need to transform their lives and communities for good. No matter the challenge, together with our partners we adapt to help people overcome poverty, earn a living, stop hunger, further their education and access good health and hygiene.

We would be honoured for you to be part of this by pledging to leave a gift in your Will for people facing poverty.

WE FOCUS ON THE FUTURE WITH EVERY PENNY SPENT

Since 1984 we have celebrated and nurtured the dignity, ingenuity and entrepreneurial spirit of the people we work with in communities facing poverty.

Our work is driven by local partners in Sierra Leone, Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania and we exchange expertise and mutually strengthen capacity. Our partners have the local knowledge and connections to be effective, and this means that skills, capacity and funding stays circulating in these areas long after our programmes end, while we have built knowledge and experience over almost four decades on helping people earn a living sustainably.

We are a 'mighty atom', and as a small charity we run on very low overheads but with very big ambitions and widespread impact.

Our impact is built to last for the future. As we do not have in-country offices, each of our programmes is designed to have continued, long-term impact without requiring continued intervention. We support community groups (CBOs) to continue sharing skills and resources after a project ends, and when we've returned to them years later we've found that the majority are still multiplying this project's impact. One local community member in Sierra Leone told us, "All other NGOs that have come here since the war – and there have been many – have failed. [They have] trained us how to manage after they leave, not just left us goods and gone."



Your gift enables people like Nalule to stop poverty

Nalule Agnes from Kampala district, Uganda, is a single mother of five. After her small shop became bankrupt, she took part in our programme with our partners PLA to learn how to make liquid soap and exercise books and the business skills to run a successful enterprise selling these.

"My life was very difficult in terms of access to food, school fees for my children and paying rent, [but my new] business has supported me to pay school fees for my children, buy some food for at least two meals a day, pay for water bills and pay for rent."

THE DIFFERENCE YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE

We are a dynamic team of 6 staff based in Worcestershire, with low overhead costs. We are proud that for many years we have spent over 95p in every £1 to directly support our programmes in Sub-Saharan Africa.

We have been honoured and moved to have received legacy gifts left to us in supporters' Wills. We have spent these gifts thoughtfully where it is needed most, whether that is to help us grow and develop new areas of work, and improve our sustainability ensuring that our impact is enduring.

Legacy gifts have provided up to 8% of our annual income in the past few years. They have a direct, tangible impact on our ability to help people facing poverty long into the future. Thank you so much for considering such a profound gift.

"Your Legacy will benefit some of the poorest people in the world. Whatever the amount you leave, you will be helping vulnerable people to break out of the poverty trap that has blighted the lives of so many others. Children will have the opportunity to go to school and men and women will be able to learn the skills and gain the confidence to earn a living to provide for their families.

Your gift really will transform lives, so please remember APT Action on Poverty in your Will. Thank you."



Image: Andrew Zuckerman