Sample Language for Charitable Gifts in Wills

If you would like to help build the long-term financial strength of [your organization] through our endowment fund with the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, but feel as though you cannot make a significant gift today, your solution may be a charitable bequest. A bequest under your will can complement your lifestyle and commitments today while supporting our fund at the Community Foundation later. Here are several ways you can write a bequest into your will.

If you wish to make a gift to the [your organization] Endowment Fund at the Foundation:

“I give the sum of $__________ [or state a percentage of the residual estate] to the [your organization] Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, a Colorado nonprofit and 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization. The Community Foundation’s EIN is 84-0699243.”

If you wish to create a named fund at the Community Foundation to benefit [your organization] (Named funds are created with a gift of at least $10,000):

“I give the sum of $__________ [or state a percentage of the residual estate] to the [your organization] Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, a Colorado nonprofit and section 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, to be administered as a separate fund in accordance with and subject to the governing instruments of the Foundation, the income there from to annually benefit [your organization]. The Community Foundation's EIN is 84-0699243. It is my desire that the Fund established with this bequest be named the _______________ Fund, and shall be recognized as such in all correspondence, reports and materials related to the Fund.”

To learn more about making a bequest to [your organization]'s endowment fund, please contact [your organization's contact person and contact info]. You may contact Ella Fahrlander, Vice President of Community Engagement at the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, at (970) 488-1979 or ella@NoCoFoundation.org.

Please note: This information should not be considered as legal, tax, or financial advice. Consult your professional advisor(s) for further information and guidance.