



# GIFTS THROUGH YOUR WILL OR LIVING TRUST



## THE MISSION

of North Shore Animal League America has remained constant and true for more than 60 years - to RESCUE, NURTURE, and ADOPT as many dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens as possible. As the world's largest no-kill pet rescue and adoption organization, we're doing just that. Since our founding in 1944, the League has placed close to one million pets into carefully screened, loving homes.



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## DOES YOUR ESTATE PLAN REFLECT WHO YOU ARE?

You may be a parent, grandparent, a member of a religious institution or a graduate of a beloved college. But you are also an animal lover. What better way to show that love than to provide for the secure future of many homeless dogs and cats by giving to the North Shore Animal League America in your will or trust?

Making a will or living trust is the most important way to ensure that your personal wishes are honored and the person you are is reflected in your estate plan. Gifts through wills or living trusts have been crucial to North Shore Animal League America's ability to save and protect animals throughout the years. By including the League in your estate planning documents, you will become a member of the **Pet Protectors Society** and join the thousands of others who have already made a financial commitment to support North Shore Animal League America's mission. Our wonderful Society members, pet lovers like you, have ensured that their legacy will make a difference for thousands of animals who will need our help in the future to find safe and loving homes. Won't you join with them?


### TYPES OF GIFTS THROUGH A WILL OR LIVING TRUST

Through your will or living trust, you can ensure that some or all of your assets will come to North Shore Animal League America. These are several types of bequests:

 A *specific bequest* is a specified dollar amount, or specific asset, designated in your will or living trust as a gift to North Shore Animal League America.



A *residuary bequest* designates that a specific percentage of your estate, or all, is transferred to North Shore Animal League America after payment of all other distributions, including debts, taxes, expenses and other bequests, have been made.

 A *contingent bequest* specifies that your estate, or a portion of it, passes to North Shore Animal League America only if your other named beneficiary(ies) predeceases you.

### SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

To make certain that your charitable intentions are carried out, all wills, living trusts and their codicils or amendments should be prepared by or with the advice of your attorney. You can share with your attorney the following sample language that can be included in your will or living trust and tailored to address your specific wishes:

**I give NORTH SHORE ANIMAL LEAGUE AMERICA, Federal I.D. No. 11-1666852, 16 Lewyt Street, Port Washington, New York, 11050, (the sum of \$\_\_\_) (all or \_\_\_% of the residue of my estate), to be used for its general purposes.**

After you have made a will or living trust naming North Shore Animal League America as a beneficiary, please let us know so that we can include you as a member of the **Pet Protectors Society**. You will have the satisfaction of knowing that animals will be helped by your love and generosity even after your death.

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*For more information about Gifts Through Your Will or Living Trust, please contact the Office of Planned Giving at 516-812-7218 or email to:*  
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