



# The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy

## Charitable Bequest

### Leave a Legacy

A charitable bequest can be a meaningful way to make a gift to The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy (FPN). A charitable bequest can be a simple way to make a significant gift and perpetuate the vital work of the Foundation for generations to come. When you choose to include the Foundation in your will or living trust, you can indicate your wishes in one of several ways:

- You can give the Foundation a specific amount of money, often referred to as a specific bequest.
- You can leave a percentage of all of the assets included in your estate at death, often referred to as a percentage bequest.
- You can leave a portion of the residual amount that is left in the estate after all specific bequests have been satisfied, which is often called a residuary bequest.
- Retirement Plans funds are an asset often overlooked as an option for a charitable gift. Giving from an IRA, 401K, or 403B plan can provide important tax advantages to your estate.
- You can name the Foundation as a beneficiary to receive all or part of a life insurance policy. Upon your death the Foundation would be gifted with the payout amount of the policy

### The Benefits of a Bequest

A bequest made through a will or living trust has many benefits:

- **Estate Tax Reduction:** A charitable gift made through your will or trust may reduce estate taxes assessed at your death.
- **Revocability:** A charitable bequest is revocable, so you may make changes to the beneficiaries of your estate throughout your lifetime.
- **Flexibility:** This type of gift can be directed to any program of the Foundation. If you wish to modify the program it supports, it is important to inform us that you have changed your plans, so that our records reflect your wishes.
- **Control:** When you include a charitable bequest in your estate plans, you have access to the assets during your lifetime, ensuring that the funds are there if you need them to provide for unexpected occurrences.

It is important to include language in your testamentary document that appropriately reflects your wishes. The Foundation is here to assist you in crafting specific bequest language that ensures the Foundation is able to honor your wishes when the gift from your estate is received.

### **SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE**

Below are several examples of suggested bequest wording that you may share with your legal counsel if you would like to make a gift to The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy through your will or living trust. Because each individual situation is unique, we encourage all donors or their legal counsel to contact the Foundation for guidance as to appropriate language to effectuate your charitable intentions, especially if you intend your gift to be restricted for a specific use.

The Foundation's Tax Identification Number is: **26-1195248**

#### *To the Foundation, unrestricted:*

"I give to The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (or \_\_\_\_ percentage of my estate) to be used by the Foundation for its unrestricted purposes."

#### *To a particular program of FPN, unrestricted:*

"I give to The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (or \_\_\_\_\_ percentage of my estate) to be used for the benefit of the (program of your choice) without further restriction."

### **For More Information**

To inquire about making a charitable bequest, please contact The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy at 847-808-4374 or [jennifer@tffpn.org](mailto:jennifer@tffpn.org). Please note that the Foundation has policies regarding the acceptance of charitable bequests, and the process of making such a gift should be carried out in consultation with a qualified advisor.