

# Gift in Wills Guide

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Lock the Gate Alliance Ltd.

# A note from our National Coordinators

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We're honoured that you would consider leaving a gift in your will to the Lock the Gate Alliance.

Lock the Gate Alliance's unique grassroots model means we stand side by side with communities who are at the forefront of resisting coal and gas - for however long it takes. We're in it for the long haul. The Lock the Gate movement has been a part of protecting land, water and culture in some areas for over a decade, standing alongside Traditional Owners, farmers and local residents.

Bequests mean that we can be confident that we have the resources to provide the support that it takes. It enables us to plan into the future, and we thank you for your generosity and consideration.

The Lock the Gate movement, made up of courageous individuals and community groups across the country has achieved extraordinary things in protecting our most precious places: a ban on fracking throughout much of Western Australia, cancellation of coal seam gas licences across most of NSW, the protection of the Bylong Valley from coal mining, and preservation of precious farmland in Kingaroy and around around Hervey Bay, amongst many others.

With your support we can continue this vital work.

*Carmel Flint and Ellen Roberts,  
Lock the Gate National Coordinators.*



# How to include Lock the Gate in your Will- 4 Easy Steps

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## 1. SPEAK TO YOUR FAMILY AND LOVED ONES:

Making or updating your Will is an incredibly personal and significant decision. Consider your family and friends. Reflect on leaving a gift to Lock the Gate—even a gift of 1% of your estate will help us continue our work to protect our land and water from coal and gas extraction while ensuring your loved ones are still provided for—and discuss your decision with your loved ones, sharing your vision for the future with them.



## 2.DECIDE WHAT TYPE OF GIFT YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE

Two key options include:

i. **A specific bequest:** Specifies the *percentage share* that each of your chosen charities receives alongside other bequests, or a *specific amount*.

A percentage of your estate is a popular way to make bequests as you do not have to adjust the value of your gift to account for inflation or changes to your total assets over time. Leaving a specific sum means the bequest may need to be changed over the years to retain its impact and account for inflation.

ii. **A residual bequest:** Is when you make a gift of the residue (remainder) of your estate, or a share of the residue, after taking care of those closest to you, ie once other specific gifts and expenses have been taken care of.







### 3. ENLIST THE HELP OF A PROFESSIONAL

Your Will is an important legal document, and should be worded correctly to ensure your wishes are carried out. A solicitor or public trustee can help you with this process. You may also wish to consider creating a free legal Will online. Visit our partners at [gatheredhere.com.au/c/lock-the-gate](https://gatheredhere.com.au/c/lock-the-gate) to see if this option is right for you.



## 4.CREATE YOUR LEGACY FOR NATURE

To include a gift to Lock the Gate, all you need is:

**Our ABN:** 33 156 099 080 and;

**Our registered name:** Lock the Gate Alliance Ltd.

**You may wish to use our recommended wording:**

I give to Lock the Gate Alliance Ltd  
(ABN 33 156 099 080) free of all taxes and other  
deductions (the residue of my estate / a \_\_\_%  
share of my estate / the sum of \$\_\_\_) for its  
general purposes, and the receipt given on behalf  
of the Lock the Gate Alliance Ltd.  
shall be sufficient discharge to my trustee.



# Why leave a gift in your Will?

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By remembering Lock the Gate in your Will, you are making sure that those who follow us will be left with a continent that offers them the natural resources, unique landscapes and essentials of life that we have all enjoyed in our lifetime.

Your gift will create a lasting legacy for future generations and allow Lock the Gate to continue to support campaigns around Australia to protect our vital resources and our precious places from destructive coal and gas development.







# Why Lock the Gate?

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Lock the Gate works with local communities facing dozens of big new and expanding coal mines, hundreds of gasfield licences and new pipeline projects across three states (WA, NSW, Qld) and the Northern Territory.

We're taking on some of the biggest mining and extraction companies in Australia and stand with locals to stop inappropriate mines and gas drilling.

We're working closely with Traditional Owners, farmers, pastoralists and local communities. And our past successes have shown that our model of working alongside, supporting, upskilling and resourcing communities works.



# Our impact

Since 2010 when the Lock the Gate movement started - not one single gasfield has moved to production in Australia, outside Queensland.

Communities have 'locked their gates' to coal & gas, and the results have been extraordinary. They've used creativity, collaboration, tenacity, and hard work to take on cashed up companies with endless resources and the backing of our governments. And in numerous places all around the country, they've won!

The groundwater, land, heritage and air in these areas have been protected- hopefully for years to come. We now have a tried-and-true multi-pronged road to success that includes:

- Empowering community
- Enabling experts
- Engaging shareholders
- Advocating to government and decision-makers
- Scrutinising compliance avenues.



# Testimonial

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I have always given to charities, but my decision to leave a donation in my Will to Lock the Gate is about honoring our planet's future and generations to come. Lock the Gate care about what I care about. I am confident that Lock the Gate will use my bequest well in their work to protect our water and food, community and Indigenous rights, and climate.

*Colin Sagar*





# Thank You

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*"Lock the Gate is deeply grateful for the support it receives from individuals whose generosity has resulted in hard-fought fantastic wins precious to local communities and Traditional Owners. We love our community and from past successes we know together we can move mountains. If you're considering leaving a gift in your Will, we would love to hear from you and personally thank you for your generosity."*

Sharyn Stein,  
Giving Relationship Coordinator,  
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