



The Foundation

## SAMPLE BEQUEST LANGUAGE

Five of the most popular forms for charitable bequests are:

1. A **fixed amount of money or a designated property**. EAST JEFFERSON GENERAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION is named to receive a specific amount, or a collection, a home, or parcel of land from the donor's estate.

"I give, devise and bequeath to East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation, 4200 Houma Blvd, Metairie, LA 70006, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (or property) to be used by the Board of Trustees to carry out its corporate objectives and purposes."

2. A **percentage of the estate**. Distribution of assets can be arranged on a percentage basis. The bequests then remain in the same proportion to each other, despite fluctuations in the value of the estate. This is an especially important concept in times of stock market volatility.

"I give, devise and bequeath to East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation, 4200 Houma Blvd, Metairie, LA 70006, \_\_\_\_\_% of my estate to be used by the Board of Trustees in carrying out its corporate objectives and purposes."

3. A **life-income bequest**. A life income to a relative or other loved one can be assured while leaving a gift through a charitable remainder trust, a gift annuity, or other life-income gift in the will.
4. A **residual bequest**. Whatever property remains in one's estate after specific bequests have been fulfilled is known as the residue. Anyone can leave the residue of his or her estate to East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation. Those who name East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation for a specific amount of money or a designated property can also leave all or part of the residue of their estate after other bequests have been satisfied.

"All the residue of my estate, including real and personal property, I give, devise and bequeath to East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation, 4200 Houma Blvd, Metairie, LA 70006, to be used for its general purposes."

5. **Contingent bequest**. A contingent bequest is usually received only when heirs predecease the testator or when another stated condition occurs.

"If any of the above-name beneficiaries should predecease me, I hereby bequeath his/her share of my estate to East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation, 4200 Houma Blvd, Metairie, LA 70006, to be used for its general purposes."

**Legal Name: East Jefferson General Hospital Foundation**

**Federal ID: 23-7052930**

**Legal Address: 4200 Houma Blvd, Metairie, LA 70006**

*All bequest wording should be drafted by a qualified attorney.  
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