

A young girl with dark skin, wearing a red beanie and purple-rimmed glasses, is smiling broadly as she drinks water from a public tap. She is holding her hands under the running water. She wears a white and blue striped shirt with a large, shiny pink bow on the front. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with wooden structures and greenery.

THIS IS

A LEGACY

WaterAid/Ernest Randriarimalala





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Neny, 10, washing her hands with clean water at the handwashing station of the toilet block at her primary school in Tsarafangitra village, Madagascar.

WaterAid/Ernest Randriarimalala

A gift in your will could amount to more than you could ever imagine.



WaterAid/Jerry Galea



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As one of WaterAid's Voices from the Field Officers, I know what a huge difference gifts in wills from people like you can make.

I've travelled all over Madagascar to document the extraordinary work that your support helps to make possible. Every village I visit has been hugely empowered by the wonderful gift of water.

Each time I go back to a community, I'm always amazed at how much it has grown and prospered. I also know how life-changing this can be because, as a child growing up in Madagascar, I had to use dirty water myself.

Now that the people of Madagascar have been given the training and tools they need to keep water flowing into their villages, I'm sure that everyone here will continue to thrive – as will their children and the many generations that follow them.

Warm regards,
Ernest Randriarimalala, WaterAid, Madagascar

Read on to see what you will add to the world, when you add water to your will.

Why your will is important.

Your will is your way to make sure your loved ones are looked after, and that the causes you care about continue to make a difference to people's lives.

If you don't have a will, your estate could be legally divided in a way that goes against your wishes. With an up-to-date will, however, you can be sure that what you want to happen, happens – including adding clean water to the world.

Where your gift will go.

When you add a gift to WaterAid in your will, you can trust us to use your money carefully. We value these gifts as they are vital in reaching even more people with clean water. Your legacy could be the taps and toilets that transform communities, schools and health centres. With your gift, an entire community could be empowered to change its future, creating hope and prosperity for all.



Priota pumping clean water from the PSF (Pond Sand Filter) Plant, Dacope, Bangladesh.



WaterAid/Prashanth Vishwanathan

The WaterAid promise.

- Your will is personal and we will never ask you to tell us your decision (although we'd love to have the opportunity to say thank you).
- We understand that family and friends always come first.
- We will never put you under any pressure – it's your decision to make in your own time.
- If you choose to remember WaterAid in your will, we will use your gift carefully so it achieves the greatest impact for the families and communities we work with.
- You can change your mind at any time.

How to add a gift to your will.

Leaving a gift in your will to WaterAid will bring clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene to future generations.

Your legacy will empower individuals to transform their lives and fulfil their potential.

What to do next

Consider the type of gift you'd like to leave.

A share of your estate.

Also known as a 'residuary legacy', this is a percentage of what remains of your estate after all other gifts and expenses have been paid. Many people choose to add a percentage of their estate to WaterAid as this means our gift remains in proportion to what they want to leave to family and friends.

A specific sum.

This is a gift of a set amount of money, also known as a 'pecuniary legacy'.

A specific item.

This could be something of value such as jewellery, a painting, property or shares.

Meet Dr. Machella, Albert, Mary and Setou.

These inspiring people now have the power to transform their own lives, thanks to the gifts that people like you have left in their wills.

Read on to find out more about the impact your gift could have.

Talk to our specialist team at WaterAid.

We know that leaving a legacy is a personal matter you will want to think through carefully. If you have any questions, please do get in touch with our Gifts in Wills team on **020 7793 4594** or email **legacies@wateraid.org** – we are here to help. You can also visit **wateraid.org/uk/will** to find out more about gifts in wills.

Talk to your solicitor.

We recommend that you discuss your will, and the type of gift you might like to leave to WaterAid, with your solicitor.

The value of your gift to WaterAid will be deducted from your estate before Inheritance Tax is applied, so it could reduce the amount of tax paid. Your solicitor will be able to discuss how this may affect your estate and beneficiaries.

Need help finding a solicitor?

Contact The Law Society on **020 7320 5650**
Or visit **solicitors.lawsociety.org.uk**

Our details for your solicitor.

You will need our registered address and charity numbers to add WaterAid to your will: WaterAid, 6th floor, 20 Canada Square, London E14 5NN

Registered charity numbers 288701 (England and Wales) and SCO39479 (Scotland).





WaterAid/James Kiyimba

The power to protect patients.

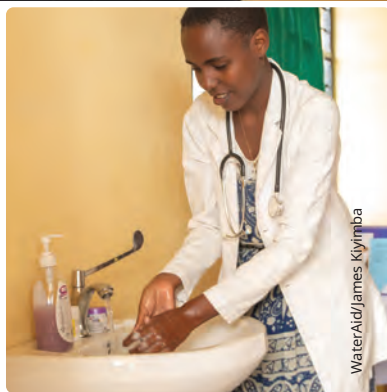


At the health centre in Tanzania where Dr Machella works, the lack of clean water was a matter of life and death.

Maintaining medical hygiene standards and delivering adequate health care was difficult. Keeping patients safe was almost impossible.

Because of kind donations, the centre now has a supply of clean water available at all times. And with five new handwashing stations, staff and patients can keep themselves safe and clean.

This is adding water to your will. This is helping doctors and nurses keep their patients safe from disease and infection.



WaterAid/James Kiyimba

Over half of the healthcare facilities in the least developed countries, and one in four globally, do not have clean water on-site. A gift in your will could change this.

A chance for entire families to thrive.



WaterAid/Ernest Randriarimalala

This is adding water to your will. This is bringing future generations of people – young and old – the joy, health and dignity they deserve in life.



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In Madagascar, clean water has also changed everything for Albert, proud grandfather to Tantely, 8.

“When I was young, I was always sick because the water was really dirty,” he remembers. “I never thought about having clean water. I could not fathom the idea of it!”

Now, thanks to WaterAid supporters, including those who have left a gift in their will, Albert and his children and grandchildren are thriving. With clean water they can focus on their livelihoods, their studies, and enjoying many more years together.

“All I wish for Tantely is for her to live to old age,” says Albert.



If everyone, everywhere had clean water, the number of deaths from diarrhoea would be cut by 34%. A gift in your will could help make that happen.

The freedom for Mary to learn.



WaterAid/Apag Annankra

Mary is bright and ambitious. But because her school in Ghana didn't have toilets, she and many other girls used to stay away. They missed so much of their education.

Everything changed when a borehole was drilled in the area. Using solar power, water could be pumped to the entire community, including the school. Finally, Mary and her friends could turn on a tap and enjoy clean water. At long last, they had the privacy and dignity that came with decent toilets. Now, Mary is keener than ever to go to school. And it's all because of the generosity of people like you.

This is adding water to your will. This is giving more children like Mary the freedom to learn and the chance to fulfil their potential.



Globally, 37% of schools do not have a decent toilet. A gift in your will could change this forever.



WaterAid/Apag Annankra

The opportunity for Setou to thrive.



WaterAid/Basile Ouedraogo

At current rates of progress, it will be 2060 before everyone in the world's least developed countries has clean water. A gift in your will could help to end this injustice.

We all want the best for our families. And once you've taken care of your loved ones, you could help more mothers like Setou to provide for theirs.

A farmer in rural Mali, Setou was struggling to earn a good living without proper irrigation for her market garden.

Now, thanks to the construction of new wells, a water tower and a network of pipes, water is flowing in her community. "Every morning I work on my plot. I grow onions, cabbages, tomatoes and chilli," Setou says. "What I earn from what I produce allows me to buy soap, clothes and school supplies for my two daughters."

This is adding water to your will. This is giving many more people like Setou the resources they need to create a life full of possibilities.



WaterAid/Basile Ouedraogo

40 years of empowering communities.

Together, we have reached over 27 million people with clean water over the last four decades. A gift in your will can help fund the taps and toilets that empower more communities around the world to transform their own lives.



Jenifa and Lyirini at the handpump in Kalungama Village, Nkhotakota, Malawi

WaterAid/Dennis Lupenga

1981

WaterAid is officially established on 21 July 1981. Our first projects start in Zambia and Sierra Leone.

1988

Our supporters help us reach 350,000 people with clean water.

1993

Work starts on our 1,000th project. And our single largest water supply scheme reaches 50,000 people in Ethiopia.

1999

We reach six million people with clean water, enabling them to build better lives.

2015

WaterAid successfully campaigns for the UN to include water and sanitation goals as part of their efforts to end extreme poverty around the world.

2020

Our expertise in handwashing and providing clean water means we can ramp up our work to reach millions of people who are most vulnerable to the COVID-19 pandemic – helping to keep families safe.

The hope of clean water for all.

At WaterAid, we believe that everyone, everywhere should have clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene. Yet one in ten people around the world still don't have access to the clean water that can bring them health, happiness and opportunities to flourish.

You can create a legacy that helps to end the injustice of dirty water. It will be there in the tap that means a new way of life for generations. In the borehole that brings the promise of prosperity to a whole community. In the clean water that stops the spread of disease and starts a brighter future for all.

This is adding water to the world when you add water to your will.

This is personal.



Alima washing her hands with clean water at a stand pipe in Nhangataiane village, Mozambique.



WaterAid/Matt Sillis

“What I love about WaterAid is that they empower people to deliver and manage the taps and toilets in their own communities.

“By leaving this gift to WaterAid, it's a way for me to continue doing good after I'm gone.”

MERYL KNAPP,
WEST YORKSHIRE,
WATERAID SUPPORTER.

Want to leave the world a better place?



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