

Inheritance Tax

Ascension Trust (Scotland) and each of its Scottish Street Pastor Initiatives are registered charities. This means that a gift in your Will to the Ascension Trust (Scotland) or a Street Pastor Initiative is exempt from Inheritance Tax. Your solicitor will be able to advise you further on this. You can see an overview about this tax on the HMRC website <https://gov.uk/inheritance-tax>

Wording for your Will

Here is suggested wording, should you decide to leave a gift in your Will to the Ascension Trust (Scotland) or to one of our Initiatives:

"I leave to:

the Ascension Trust (Scotland), 43a Esplanade, Greenock, PA16 7RY, Scottish Charity No. SC041912 ... or the.....Street Pastor Initiative [please insert its charity name and number here]

.....
These details, if not known, can be obtained by telephoning Ascension Trust (Scotland) on 01475 783000 or by email to scotland@ascensiontrust.org.uk

the sum of £.....[now insert the amount in words]

.....
or a proportion of.....% [insert %] of the residue of my estate or the following item(s).....
[insert specific item(s)] free of all taxes for its general purposes;

and I direct that the receipt by the Street Pastor Initiative Treasurer or other duly authorised officer of the Ascension Trust (Scotland) shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors and trustees."

Thank you for your support

We hope that this way of giving will appeal to you. These Street Pastor charities receive no direct funding from the government and rely on donations and grants to operate.



Help Street Pastors continue their work with a legacy



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By leaving a legacy to your local Street Pastor Initiative or to Ascension Trust (Scotland) which oversees and enables over 20 Street Pastor Initiatives in Scotland, your legacy can make a very real and important difference to the work of Street Pastors and to those they help. For example, it could be used to:

- Resource patrols on the streets with flip-flops, bottled water, blankets and essential items to care for people.
- Contribute towards employee and volunteer expenses, as well as training and uniform costs.

A legacy gift to the national charity, Ascension Trust (Scotland) enables work which might not otherwise be possible. A legacy given without restrictions can be allocated where needed to sustain:

- ongoing Training to Street Pastors across Scotland – every Street Pastor completes some 50 hours of training.
- the engagement of local churches and other organisations by providing for speakers to engage at churches, conferences and other locations interested in hearing more about the Street Pastor movement.
- research and time involved in setting up new Initiatives.

No matter how large or small, your legacy gift can make a significant and lasting impact.



Your Will and seeking professional advice

Your Will is a legal document so it is vital to have it drafted or updated by someone who is legally qualified. We advise you to seek the help of a solicitor. They will ensure that your wishes are clearly drafted in accordance with the law. The Law Society of Scotland can help you find a local solicitor. There are a number of free, low-cost or charity schemes available, including the Will Aid initiative which runs each November which means that completing your Will does not need to be an expensive process.

Types of legacy gifts

There are three different types of gift you can make in your Will:

- A gift of a fixed sum of money of your choosing. This type of gift is called a pecuniary legacy. It will decrease in value over your lifetime due to inflation.
- A gift of a specific item, eg land or property or other assets, which is known as a specific legacy.
- A gift of what is left (or part of what is left) after all other bequests and debts have been paid. This is known as a residuary legacy and is not subject to inflation.

Your gift and your legacy will help others

