Sample Bequest Language

Through a bequest, you can demonstrate an enduring commitment to Alaska and continue the pattern of philanthropy established during your lifetime. Those who notify us of bequests are invited to join our Legacy Society and will receive recognition, now and in the future, that will in turn encourage others to consider bequests as both a planned giving option and a way of giving back to their communities.

A bequest can easily be made by naming The Alaska Community Foundation as beneficiary. An outright bequest may be unrestricted, may add to an existing fund of the Foundation or may establish a new fund. If a donor already has a will in place, a simple codicil can be written.

The following is sample language only. We encourage you to contact staff at the Alaska Community Foundation and an estate planning attorney to determine exactly which language is most appropriate to fulfill your goals for your charitable legacy.

Unrestricted Bequest (no minimum)

I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax-exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), for its general charitable purposes.

Bequest to Create an Unrestricted Fund (minimum $10,000 or $25,000)

I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax-exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3). (The Foundation), to establish the __________________ Fund to be held as a component fund and managed together with the Foundation’s other funds. *

Bequest to Create a Field of Interest Fund (minimum $10,000 or $25,000)

I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), to establish the __________________ Fund to be held as a component fund and managed together with the Foundation’s other funds. *

Bequest to an Affiliate Community Foundation Fund (no minimum)

I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), to be added to the __________________ Fund, a component fund of The Alaska Community Foundation, and I direct that this bequest become part of this Fund.
Bequest to Create a Designated Fund (minimum $10,000 or 25,000)
I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), to establish the _______________________ Fund to be held as a component fund and managed together with the Foundation's other funds. *

Bequest to Create a Donor Advised Fund (minimum $10,000 or 25,000)
I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), to establish the _______________________ Fund to be held as a component fund and managed together with the Foundation's other funds. *

Bequest to Create a Scholarship Fund (minimum $10,000 or 50,000)
I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), to establish the _______________________Scholarship Fund to be held as a component fund and managed together with the Foundation's other funds. *

Bequest to an Existing Fund (no minimum)
I bequeath ____________________________ (describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to The Alaska Community Foundation (EIN# 92-0155067), a tax exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(3), to be added to the _______________________ Fund, a component fund of The Alaska Community Foundation, and I direct that this bequest become part of this Fund.

*Equally Important
To ensure your bequest will be used according to your preferences, please contact staff at The Alaska Community Foundation to document your specific instructions for how the fund will be used. These instructions can be changed at any time at no cost to you and remain dormant until your legacy fund is activated by the receipt of your testamentary assets or proceeds from retirement or investment accounts.