



Making sure your love for animals lives on

GAWS Bequest

'because every life is precious'



Leaving a gift to GAWS is your way of making a real difference to the lives of animals who come into our care each year.

GAWS has been operating for over 63 years and is a not-for-profit organisation providing best practice animal care, education and animal rehoming programs.

Our Mission & Purpose:

We promote the welfare and value of companion animals to improve the health and wellbeing of the wider community.

We do this by:

- *Caring for and rehoming lost and relinquished companion animals*
- *Engaging in research, advocacy and promotion of health and wellbeing through companion animals*
- *Providing education, services and products that enable responsible animal ownership and improves the wellbeing of both people and their companion animals.*

GAWS animal shelter programs rely 100 percent on funding from adoption fees, community donations, memberships, fundraising and bequests. Without this support, the care and rehoming services provided for over two thousand animals each year would not be possible.

You may decide to leave your bequest as a specific amount, percentage or part of your estate or residue of your estate. For your convenience, we include the following recommendations on how you can word your bequest:

After payment of all my debts, funeral and testamentary expenses and all duties, taxes and charges payable on my Estate at my death, I give to Geelong Animal Welfare Society (GAWS)

- (a) *the sum of \$<amount>;*
- (b) *<percentage> of my estate;*
- (c) *The residue of my estate;*

for the general purposes of the GAWS. I declare that the receipt of the treasurer or other proper officer of the GAWS will be sufficient discharge for my Trustees.

Thank you for considering a bequest to GAWS in your Will. Our animal shelter receives no government funding and relies on the generous support of the community to deliver this vital work. We thank all those who make this possible, and who share in our commitment to give animals a second chance 'because every life is precious.'

If you would like to learn more please contact our Manager, Fundraising & Community Engagement at fundraising@gaws.org.au or on (03) 5248 2091.

