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# A vision becomes a life saving legacy

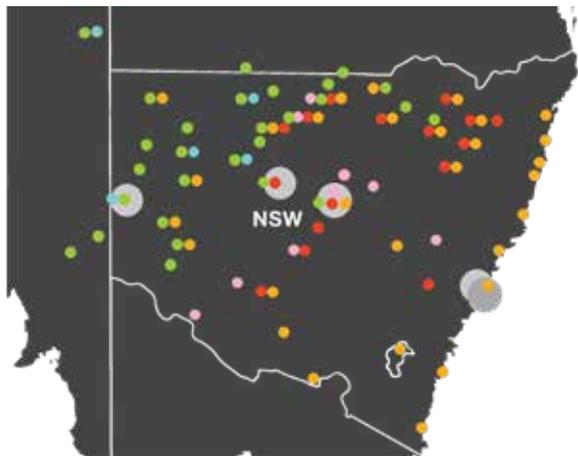
## A generous gift in a Will is where the Royal Flying Doctor Service all began.

In 1928, Founder John Flynn's vision of a unique aeromedical service became a reality thanks to a considerate gift in a Will from his dear friend, Hugh McKay.

McKay's forward thinking and appreciation for life in the outback is still saving lives throughout this vast country almost 100 years later.

Today, our dedicated supporters help the Flying Doctor provide aeromedical and primary healthcare services to rural, regional and remote communities across Australia.

We rely on the generosity of people like you to ensure Australian communities, regardless of their location, have access to the finest healthcare. As the demand for our services grows, a gift in a Will enables us to be there no matter what the future brings, for generations to come.



The Royal Flying Doctor Service (South Eastern Section) provides vital care to around 50,000 patients annually across NSW and ACT.

## The work of the Flying Doctor

Your support helps us continue our thorough research, work closely with public health officials, and consult with our patients to identify and overcome barriers that outback communities face.



### Emergency Retrieval

Often living hours away from the nearest hospital, people in remote communities rely on us to be there for them in an emergency. Our frontline teams work tirelessly 24/7, your support can mean the difference between life and death.



### Maternal and Child Healthcare

Our experienced team of clinicians, including midwives, deliver primary healthcare services and clinics for women, paediatric and family health. We play a critical role in the health and wellbeing of families living in remote and rural areas.



### Dental Care

Rural areas only have one dentist to every three in city areas. Dental health is fundamental to overall health, wellbeing, and quality of life. Our teams offer this vital service that would otherwise be unavailable to these rural communities.



### GP Clinics

With the life expectancy of regional families up to 2.2 years less than those in major cities, our primary healthcare teams are working hard to provide lifesaving services and specialist care, including dermatologists, optometrists, and chronic disease management.



### Patient Transfer

Whether it is transporting patients from hospital to hospital, by air or by road, we play a vital role in inter-hospital transfers in less urgent cases in many parts of Australia.



### Mental Health Support

Isolation and distance, worsened by the ongoing drought, means access to our Mental Health services and Alcohol and Other Drug programs are vital to support the wellbeing of our patients.

# Investing in the future of Australian communities

## Margaret's generous gift for the future

*"I really appreciate the specialised approach of the Flying Doctor to working with communities to best meet their needs. Outback families are wonderful, hardworking Australians. I'm glad to be part of that legacy and do my small part to help".*

– Margaret Evans, dedicated supporter and volunteer for 22 years.

After many years of travel, including working with the airlines and as a freelance journalist, Margaret had the unique experience of going on a flight to Broken Hill on assignment.

Her commitment to the service was truly cemented that day, witnessing our Flying Doctor team in action first-hand. Her flight re-routed to a remote station for an emergency retrieval after a farming accident occurred between their clinic visits.

Margaret has made the big-hearted and considered decision to leave a gift in her Will so her enduring passion for the service can live on.

***"I would encourage others to support the Flying Doctor. I've seen how important the Service is to people in the outback and am happy that my gift will continue this life-saving work."***

Right: Margaret at her home in Sydney.



# Being there for farming families after an accident

## There was no time to waste

Life on the farm can be challenging, and the Rohde family would like to share why your support matters so greatly to families living in rural areas.

12-year old Braith was helping his family muster cattle when he came off his motorbike. His mother Alison rushed to his side and knew immediately that her son's situation was critical.

**“I could see that Braith had blood coming from his nose and mouth. He was badly suffering from shock and I knew, living out of town, it would take too long for an ambulance to get to our farm.”**

Alison did not hesitate to put Braith straight into the truck and got him to the closest doctor in Moree, NSW as quickly as she could.

**“Braith's situation was becoming life threatening as they couldn't find a pulse in his arm, and he could lose it. We were told they needed to fly him out straight away”.** – Alison, farmer and mother

The Royal Flying Doctor Service were called in to rush Braith to a major hospital in Brisbane. Thanks to generous supporters like you, Braith received the urgent medical care he needed in an emergency and has fully recovered. He is now in his last year of high school and his family could not be more grateful for your help.

**“It always worries me that if an accident happens, we're hours away from the help we'd need. That's why we couldn't live out here without the Royal Flying Doctor Service,”** shared Alison.



The Rohde Family (Darren, Justin, Alison and Braith) on their farm in Wee Waa, NSW

# Benefits of leaving a gift in your Will

## A gift that makes a lasting change

**When it comes time to organise your Will, your loved ones will naturally be first in your thoughts.**

Once you have considered your options, a gift in your Will to the Royal Flying Doctor Service (South Eastern Section) will have an extraordinary impact on the lives of men, women and children living, working or travelling in remote Australia for generations to come.

In the crucial moments of an emergency, your support will matter most, no Australian should have to worry about being too far for our frontline teams to reach them.

No matter the size, your gift can help us look after Australians facing the everyday challenges of living in the outback. Your support is always needed to purchase vital medical equipment, to keep our teams flying and providing essential health services to the families who need them.

**You will help save lives.** By equipping and maintaining our aircraft across the South Eastern Section, your support can keep a close call from becoming a tragedy to an Australian in need.

Your lasting impact will help us plan ahead with confidence, and to provide long-term services to families in rural, regional and remote Australia, no matter what the future brings.

## Become an Outback Guardian

**When you decide to leave an impactful gift in your Will, you will be welcomed as an honorary Outback Guardian.**

You will be joining a community of like-minded and visionary people who are committed to improving the healthcare of those who live, work or travel in outback Australia.

### You will receive:

- A certificate of appreciation signed by our CEO, acknowledging your generosity
- An Outback Guardian lapel pin
- Regular newsletters and updates on our critical work
- The option to have your name recognised on the Royal Flying Doctor Service Wall of Honour

**Every gift, no matter the size, can change the lives of Australians for generations.**



# How to leave a gift in your Will?

## Choose a gift in your Will that's right for you

After you've looked after your loved ones, there are many ways to include us in your Will. Three of the easiest options to leave a gift are:

### A RESIDUAL GIFT

Leaving a percentage or whole of your remaining (residue) estate after all provisions have been made for your loved ones and expenses have been paid is a practical way to give. This also accounts for inflation and does not decrease in value over time.

### A PERCENTAGE

Another flexible way to give as you don't have to adjust the value of your gift to account for inflation, or changes to your total assets. It is a percentage of your whole estate.

### A FIXED AMOUNT

Leaving a specific sum; this type of gift may need to be changed over the years to account for inflation and changes to your circumstances.

## Legal Wording

We encourage you to seek professional legal advice when making a Will. Below is sample wording on how to remember us in your Will.

"I give to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (South Eastern Section) ABN 86 000 032 422, GPO Box 3537 SYDNEY NSW 2001, for its general purposes, free of all duties, (the whole OR .....%) of the residue of my Estate including lapsed devises and bequests..."

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**Thank you for considering us for a gift in your Will. Your support has never been more important than it is now.**

We would love to speak to you confidentially about your decision and to answer any questions you may have.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with Cristina Caamano, Planned Giving Senior Manager, on: 0448 280 193 or email: [Cristina.Caamano@rfdsse.org.au](mailto:Cristina.Caamano@rfdsse.org.au)



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