Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services *caring with compassion*' Operating Central Victoria's only "No Kill" Animal Shelter facility

Bequest Program

Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services Incorporated (BAWCS) has been assisting animals in need for over 20 years.

Your bequest will help us continue this important work which provides a safe, caring and enriched environment for animals and includes lifetime safety for special needs animals that are not suitable for general adoption.

In making a Bequest to Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services you can specify the remainder of your estate (residual), a specific sum or a percentage of your estate.

There are three common forms of bequests:

Residual bequest

Your estate will pay all debts, taxes, expenses and specific bequests. The remaining amount – the residue – will be transferred to Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services.

Suggested wording:

I give (free of all duties) the residue of my estate to Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services (A0045039R, ABN 62 708 178 788) with the written acknowledgment of an authorised officer of Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services to be accepted by my executors as a full and complete discharge.

Specific sum

While a specific amount of cash is a common form of bequest it does not allow for inflation so the above two options are preferred however if you'd like to utilise this method, suggested wording is as follows:

I give (free of all duties) the sum of \$_____ to Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services (A0045039R, ABN 62 708 178 788) to be accepted by my executors as a full and complete discharge.

Percentage of your estate

I give (free of all duties) ______ % of my estate to Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services (A0045039R, ABN 62 708 178 788) with the written acknowledgment of an authorized officer of Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services to be accepted by my executors as a full and complete discharge.

I DIRECT that the receipt of the President or other financial controller for the time being of Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services Incorporated shall be sufficient discharge to my executors for payment of the said sum Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services Incorporated without obligation of my executors to see to the application of the said monies or to oversee compliance by Bendigo Animal Welfare & Community Services Incorporated with the provisions of this clause of my Will and I

How to make or change your Will

We recommend you consult a professional legal adviser to make sure the correct wording is used to ensure your wishes are clear and are met.

Please contact our President **Debbie Edwards** on **0417 382 741** if you require further information.