A charitable bequest is a uniquely personal and impactful commitment and is the most common form of leaving one’s lasting legacy to Franklin College. A charitable bequest is a simple provision in one’s will or living trust. A bequest can also be made by simply adding a codicil or amendment to an existing will or trust. Here are some examples of bequest language to consider:

For unrestricted bequests:

1) I hereby give, devise and bequeath to Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana 46131, (Tax ID #: 35-0868086), __________ percent (_______%) of my residuary estate as an unrestricted contribution.

   OR

2) I hereby give, devise and bequeath to Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana 46131, (Tax ID #: 35-0868086), the sum of _____________________ dollars ($__________) as an unrestricted contribution.

   OR

3) I hereby give, devise and bequeath to Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana 46131, (Tax ID #: 35-0868086), as an unrestricted contribution, the following property described as (insert description of particular item of property).

You may make a residual bequest of assets remaining after all other specific bequests have been satisfied as follows:

   The rest, remainder and residue of my estate, or __________ % (or fractional interest) of the rest, remainder and residue of my estate to Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana 46131, (Tax ID #: 35-0868086).
You may make a **contingent bequest** (to take effect only if those named as primary beneficiaries predecease you) as follows:

If any or all of the above names beneficiaries do not survive me, then I hereby give the share that otherwise would be (his/hers/ theirs) to **Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana 46131, (Tax ID #: 35-0868086)**.

**For bequests designated for a specific project, program or use:**

It is my desire and instruction that this bequest to **Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana 46131, (Tax ID #: 35-0868086)**, be used for the following purposes:

( fill in specific project, program or use here )

If the foregoing stated purpose or use of my gift is deemed impossible, impractical or incapable of fulfillment in the opinion of Franklin College, then I authorize Franklin College to use my gift in a fashion that most closely approximates my charitable intent.

Provisions in one’s will or trust can also be structured in such a way as to utilize and fund additional life income gifts or deferred gift arrangements.

**Note:** Franklin College recommends a minimum funding amount for specific, named endowments (ex., $50,000 is required for a named scholarship endowment). Please contact the Office of Development & Alumni Engagement for more information.

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