


FLYING-DOCTOR-SERVICE
(VICTORIA)
KIMBERLEY

Leaving a Gift in your Will

The John Flynn Society



Royal Flying Doctor Service



*"If you start
something worthwhile...
nothing can stop it."*

Rev John Flynn

The greatest gift

In 1928 the first aircraft of the Royal Flying Doctor service, named 'Victory' took to the skies. This was made possible through the generous contribution of a Gift in the Will of Hugh Victor McKay.

From this one Gift, the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) has grown from one plane, one pilot and one doctor to a national service with 69 planes, 115 road service vehicles and 1400 professionals delivering emergency medical and primary health services.

Today, Gifts in Wills to the Flying Doctors are one of our greatest source of funding. The generosity of our loyal supporters make it possible for us to provide medical care and attention to those who need it wherever they are.

As we look to the future, the needs will continue to grow in both the services we provide and the way in which they are delivered. A Gift in your Will to the RFDS will allow us to continue our life-changing primary health care, emergency retrieval and patient transport services.

Whether large or small, every Gift is greatly valued because it will help us have a positive impact on someone's life and in doing so provide the greatest gift.

De Havilland 50 named 'Victory'.



John Flynn Society

A portrait of John Flynn, an older man with glasses, wearing a suit and tie. The portrait is partially obscured by a large green circle on the right side of the page.

The John Flynn Society was established in recognition of the founder of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Reverend John Flynn's foresight and commitment to others created what is truly an Australian icon and one that saves lives everyday.

We want to make sure we say 'thank you' to those that have made such an important decision to support the Royal Flying Doctor Service through a Gift in their Will. Therefore, it is fitting that we recognise those wonderful committed supporters leaving a Gift in their Will, who make an everlasting contribution to the Royal Flying Doctor Service as members of the John Flynn Society.

Members of the John Flynn Society are a special group of proud and generous supporters who are passionate about supporting the work of the RFDS. Funds support primary health care, aeromedical retrieval service, patient transport and provide assurance of our ability to serve future generations.

The Society enables us to acknowledge our friends and supporters, during their lifetime.

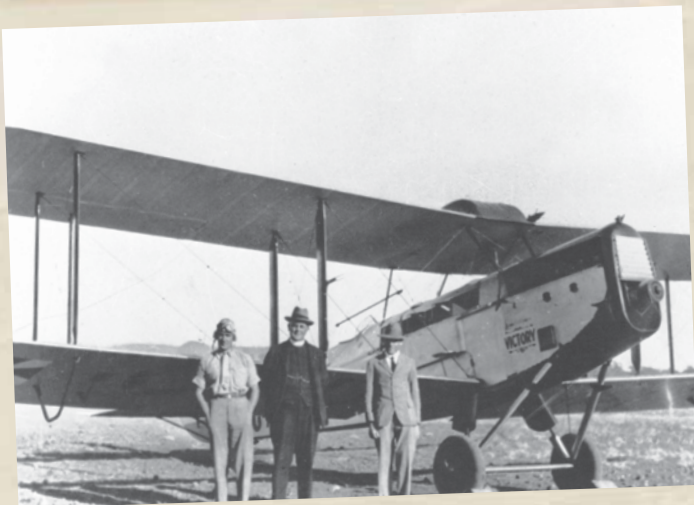
A gift for future generations – Alison and Doug



🔗 We got involved with the Flying Doctor travelling around Australia. Doug and I have a fully-equipped four-wheel-drive and love to really get out there. The Flying Doctor has always been there for us. Fortunately, we have never had to call upon them, but we know they are there if we need them. They are our backup. 🔗

"While the Flying Doctor provides emergency response, I like that it also offers services around the state like Mobile Patient Transport. I feel proud when I see those cars on the road. I'm especially glad that the RFDS have services up around Swan Hill and Mildura area. I grew up in Swan Hill and back then it was quite remote. Our local Melbourne dentist actually goes up there with the Flying Doctor Dental Clinic."

"I think the Flying Doctor does a great job. We have been to some very remote areas of Australia, including the Canning Stock Route, and people there rely on the RFDS. Without them they would have no health care. Although I have spent most of my life in Melbourne, being born in Swan Hill, I know how important the RFDS is."



*Above left > Victory, Flying Doctor plane with pilot, doctor and Reverend Barber.
Above > Dentist attending to children at Silvertown Public School in 1962.*

How will my Gift be used?

By including the Royal Flying Doctor Service Victoria in your Will, you will be making a valuable contribution, in a range of important ways: for example through the purchase and maintenance of aircraft, medical equipment, supplies, as well as support for our many health services.

The RFDS relies on the generous support of the community and Gifts in Wills are very important to us. They can be made to Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section) or through the Flying Doctor Foundation. Funds provide ongoing support for our work helping those in need.

Your Gift can create history



RFDS staff with patient.



Rural Women's GP in Corryong, Victoria.

A Gift in your Will translates to making this all possible. The vital funds generated through these Gifts mean up-to-date equipment and facilities. We can continue to provide medical attention and healthcare to all Australians.

💡 *Saving lives is what it's all about! The Royal Flying Doctor Service saves lives and by including them in my Will, it is one of the ways I feel I can continue to support this vital organisation into the future.* 💡

Hazel Duffy, bequestor and long-time supporter



Making a Will gives peace of mind

It is a fact that many Australians do not have a valid Will.

Making a Will can give you peace of mind and is a way to show you care about family members and friends you love and those who have been important to you. It can give you comfort, knowing that your special wishes have been made clear and that you've made provision for them.

Many people choose to support good causes in their lifetime. Leaving a Gift in your Will is a way to keep making a difference after you are gone.

The decision to leave a Gift in your Will of any size is a simple and powerful way to making a difference to someone's life in the future, at no cost to you today.

We understand that making a decision to leave a Gift in your Will is a very personal one and not everyone wishes to tell us of their intentions. A Gift in your Will to the Royal Flying Doctor Service can help save lives. It would mean so much to the Flying Doctor to know that we have your kind support.

Your legacy

You can choose to leave a Gift in your Will to the RFDS to assist with annual funding of vital health services. Alternatively you may choose to leave a Gift in your Will to the Flying Doctor Foundation where monies received are invested in perpetuity and the interest earned directly supports people in need.

A Gift in your Will can take a number of forms:

- > A percentage of the value of your Estate
- > A specified amount of money or items of property
- > The residual of the Estate after provision for family and other beneficiaries.

We recommend that you seek professional advice when preparing or making changes to your Will. To ensure that your wishes are clearly and legally stated, you may wish to consider the following options:

- > consulting a qualified Solicitor or Trustee Company;
- > inserting a paragraph in your existing Will; or
- > completing a simple codicil document which is then attached to your Will.



How do I remember RFDS with a Gift in my Will?

A Gift to Royal Flying Doctor Service (Victorian Section)

WILL CLAUSES FOR ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE

Legacy clauses

Gift to the Service

I GIVE the sum of dollars to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) ABN 71 004 196 230 for its general purposes. *[or for specified purpose]*

In the event that this legacy fails completely or partially I direct that this legacy to the extent it fails shall be payable to the charitable organisation which my executors shall select as most nearly fulfilling the current objects of the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section)

The receipt of the Treasurer or Public Officer for the time being of Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) shall be an absolute discharge to my executor for this legacy.

Gift to Foundation

I GIVE the sum of dollars to the Flying Doctor Foundation in the State of Victoria being the Foundation conducted by the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) ABN 71 004 196 230 for the general purposes of the Foundation. *[or for specified purpose]*

In the event that this legacy fails completely or partially I direct that this legacy to the extent it fails shall be payable firstly to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section) if it is in existence at the time of my death and if not then to the charitable organisation which my executors shall select as most nearly fulfilling the current objects of the Flying Doctor Foundation in the State of Victoria.

The receipt of the Treasurer or Public Officer for the time being of Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) shall be an absolute discharge to my executor for this legacy.

Gift of realty to Foundation

(will require amendment if gift to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section))

I GIVE my property currently known as *[address]* being the land in Certificate of Title Volume Folio free of all duties taxes and charges but subject to any mortgage secured upon that property at the date of my death to the Flying Doctor Foundation in the State of Victoria being the Foundation conducted by the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) ABN 71 004 196 230 for the general purposes of the Foundation. *[or for specified purpose]*

In the event that this legacy fails completely or partially I direct that this legacy to the extent it fails shall be payable firstly to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section) if it is in existence at the time of my death and if not then to the charitable organisation which my executors shall select as most nearly fulfilling the current objects of the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section).

The receipt of the Treasurer or Public Officer for the time being of Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) shall be an absolute discharge to my executor for this legacy.

Residuary clause

SUBJECT to the payment of all my just debts funeral and testamentary expenses including in any such expenses the costs of proving my Will and winding up my estate and all probate estate and other duties

payable in respect of my estate as a consequence of my death I **GIVE DEVISE AND BEQUEATH** the balance of my estate of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situate to my Trustees **UPON TRUST** To divide the balance of my estate into *[number of parts]* of equal parts and to deal with the same as follows:

- a) to pay or transfer one of such parts to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) ABN 71 004 196 230 for its general purposes.

In the event that this gift fails completely or partially I direct that this legacy to the extent it fails shall be payable to the charitable organisation which my executors shall select as most nearly fulfilling the current objects of the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section)

The receipt of the Treasurer or Public Officer for the time being of Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian section) shall be an absolute discharge to my executor for this gift in my residuary estate.

- (b) To pay or transfer one of such parts to *[other residuary beneficiary]*
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Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (a) hereto in respect to the failure of the gift to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia (Victorian Section); if the trusts declared in respect of any of the other parts for the distribution of my residuary estate fail for want of a beneficiary such part including any accretions thereto shall be held upon the trusts declared in respect of the other said parts in the proportions of those trusts bear to each other.

Becoming a Member of the John Flynn Society

Once you decide to leave a Gift in your Will to the RFDS you will be welcomed as a member of the John Flynn Society.

As a member of the John Flynn Society you will share a unique bond and be part of a caring group of individuals who want to make a difference and change lives.

Members will hear about how Gift in Wills are making a difference now and some of the exciting advances and plans for future medical care.

Becoming a John Flynn Society member may inspire many more to make a significant investment for future generations.

There are no membership fees, no minimum gift amounts to join the John Flynn Society. The size of your Gift is entirely your choice and is kept confidential.

As a member you will receive special privileges including:

- > A special commemorative lapel pin and pen
- > A personalised signed certificate of appreciation
- > Updates on RFDS activities within our Newsletters
- > Invitations to RFDS events
- > The option of having your name included in the list of John Flynn Society members in the RFDS Victoria Annual Report

We understand that some people may wish to make their intended Gift in their Will anonymous. We would honour any such request and observe complete confidentiality.



CEO Scott Chapman with Barry and Joan Medwin.

It is a privilege to be able to give this gift, I never thought I would have this opportunity to make such a difference. To be able to make this decision whilst I am alive is such an honour. We are confident that the money will be well administered. Over many years we have admired the health benefits that RFDS gives to people in remote areas. We trust these funds will enable the RFDS to continue the excellent work it does in Victoria and Australia. We wish the RFDS continued success in the future.

Barry and Joan Medwin
John Flynn Society Members

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> Proudly supporting the Royal Flying
Doctor Service Victoria

The John Flynn Society has been formed to acknowledge and thank those supporters who have decided to leave a Gift in their Will to the RFDS in their Will. If you have already left a Gift in your Will, are considering doing so, or would just like to talk about what is involved please complete this form and return it to the address below. Your response will be treated confidentially.

- ☐ I have already included a Gift to RFDS in my Will.
- ☐ I am considering leaving a Gift in my Will.
Please contact me to discuss.
- ☐ I would like to know more about leaving a Gift in my Will to RFDS.
- ☐ I would like to know more about the John Flynn Society.

Name

Address

Phone

Email

Mail (no stamp required) to:
REPLY PAID 7027
Richmond VIC 3121

RFDS Donor Support Team: Phone 03 8412 0400
www.flyingdoctor.org.au/vic/support-us-vic/leave-bequest-vic/



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Thank you

More Information

For further information about how a Gift in your Will can make a real difference, or for assistance please call the RFDS Donor Support Team on 03 8412 0400.



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