



Glen Waverley Uniting Church - Future Fund

This is an invitation to contribute to the mission and ministries of the Glen Waverley Uniting Church via a bequest or a gift to the Future Fund.

This brochure describes how to proceed and how the GWUC Future Fund works.

There are many ways and different times that we can contribute to ministry and mission of the Glen Waverley Uniting Church (GWUC). It can be by regular giving and, on occasions, by making a once-off donation in response to situations that arise in our lives and the life of the Congregation. Examples include funerals, weddings, baptisms, confirmation, times when pastoral care has been beneficial or just at a time when we want to support the work of the Church.



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An Invitation

You are invited to contribute to the mission and ministries of the Glen Waverley Uniting Church via a bequest or a once-off gift to the GWUC Future Fund which has been created to replace the Endowment Fund following changes enacted by UCA Synod, Victoria & Tasmania.

Please indicate whether you want your name to be listed in the Fund Register. Names may also be those of late family members.

Bequests and gifts should be unencumbered and not tied to a specific use or action.

Note that for tax purposes the Future Fund is not a Deductible Gift Recipient and therefore cannot accept gifts or bequests of shares or any kind of property other than money. (These limitations do not apply to gifts made directly to the Church, not the Future Fund.)

How the fund works

All contributions to the GWUC Future Fund are invested in an ethical investment fund with UCA Financial Management Ltd, the investment arm of the Uniting Church. The Fund's account is kept separate from the Church's operating accounts. The capital and earnings of the Fund may only be used for particular ministries and mission projects recommended by Church Council and approved by the Congregation. For example, the Fund may be used for activities such as specific community outreach projects, projects related to the Church's vision, initiatives of one or more of the Church's missional groups, etc. The earnings cannot be used for building development or maintenance, but might be used to buy labour, materials and equipment for a particular project.

The projects receiving funds may be supported by a once off contribution from the Fund or may be supported over a period of years. There is no restriction on how often a project is funded, however the project would need to be approved each year.

The operation of the Fund is overseen by Finance Committee and Church Council, and there will be annual reports supplied to the Congregation.

Bequests and Gifts

People leave gifts of all sizes. You don't have to be wealthy to leave a gift in your Will as every dollar has the power to help. You can be sure that when combined with those of other supporters, your gift will always have a powerful impact, no matter the size.

Bequests can take various forms:

The ability to contribute via a Bequest or gift requires your planning and enacting a statement within your will.

The Residue of your Estate

After you have first looked after your loved ones: family, friends and any debts, you may choose to leave what remains to GWUC Future Fund. This is called a residuary bequest.

Percentage of your Estate

This option has the advantage of not being affected by inflation. No matter how your estate changes, your bequest remains in proportion with other parts of your Will.

A Specific Bequest

This option allows you to specify the exact amount you wish to bequeath. This option does not allow for inflation or changes to your estate over time, so your Will may need regular review.

Once-off Gifts

Please ensure that gifts intended for the Future Fund are clearly marked as such.

Note: contributions to the Fund are not redeemable, and donations to the Uniting Church in Australia are not tax deductible.

This is our suggested text for your Will:

"I give and bequeath [rest and residue of my estate] [-%of my estate] [the sum of \$--] to Glen Waverley Uniting Church Future Fund for its general purposes and declare that the receipt of an executive officer at the time shall be sufficient discharge of my executor's duty."

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Response Form

I would like to make a once-off donation

AMOUNT OF GIFT \$

I would like to make a bequest

RESIDUARY BEQUEST

PERCENTAGE BEQUEST \$

SPECIFIC BEQUEST

*Do you wish your name and amount of gift to be recorded in the register? **Y / N***

FOR BEQUESTS & DONATIONS:

CONTACT DETAILS OF
EXECUTOR OF YOUR
ESTATE:

DONOR'S NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

DATE:

If you have any questions or wish to talk to someone about this, please contact the church office or speak with our Treasurer, Ken Coutts on 0412 766 761 for a confidential and private conversation.