

Community Animal Rescue Effort  
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## **Bequest Information**

Thank you for your inquiry regarding appropriate procedures for making a bequest to Community Animal Rescue Effort ("C.A.R.E."). C.A.R.E. is an Illinois not-for-profit, charitable organization which qualifies for exemption from federal tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. As such, your bequests to C.A.R.E. may result in tax savings for your estate. Most importantly, your bequests will help us to protect future generations of lost and abandoned animals.

We strongly encourage you to consult with an attorney regarding the most appropriate language for your will or other estate planning documents. You may wish to present the following language to your attorney for his or her review:

### **Specific Bequest**

"I give and bequeath to the Community Animal Rescue Effort, currently located at 2310 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202, or its successors or assigns, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for its general purposes."

### **Devise of Real Property**

"I give and bequeath to the Community Animal Rescue Effort, currently located at 2310 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202, or its successors or assigns, certain real property located at \_\_\_\_\_, together with all improvements thereon."

### **Residuary Bequest**

"I give and bequeath to Community Animal Rescue Effort, currently located at 2310 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202, or its successors or assigns, all [or \_\_\_%] of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, to be used for its general purposes."

### **Contingent Bequests**

"If any of the above-named beneficiaries should predecease me, I hereby bequeath his or her share to the Community Animal Rescue Effort, currently located at 2310 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202, or its successors and assigns, to be used for its general purposes."

OR

"I give and bequeath to the Community Animal Rescue Effort, currently located at 2310 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202, or its successors or assigns, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for its general purposes, provided that Community Animal Rescue Effort agrees to

accept responsibility for the care of my [dog(s)/cat(s)]. In the event that Community Animal Rescue Effort determines that it is in the best interests of my [dog(s)/cat(s)] or the public health to refrain from adopting out my [dog(s)/cat(s)] or to otherwise manage my [dog(s)/cat(s)] care, Community Animal Rescue Effort shall have full discretion to so act.”

**Estate or Inheritance Tax**

“I direct that no estate or inheritance taxes be paid from the share of any property devised or bequeathed to Community Animal Rescue Effort, or its successors and assigns.”

**Bequest of an Animal**

“I request Community Animal Rescue Effort, currently located at 2310 Oakton, Evanston, IL 60202, or its successors or assigns, to care for my [dog(s)/cat(s)] upon my death. In the event that Community Animal Rescue Effort determines that it is in the best interests of my [dog(s)/cat(s)] or the public health to refrain from adopting out my [dog(s)/cat(s)] or to otherwise manage my [dog(s)/cat(s)] care, Community Animal Rescue Effort shall have full discretion to so act.”

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Once again, we appreciate your interest in making a bequest to C.A.R.E.