



Please remember

CHILDREN'S HEART SURGERY FUND

and help us support
hearts for life

Sophie, 8, was born with a complex heart condition, has already had several open-heart surgeries, needs regular check-ups and will require further treatment in the future.

The Gittus family

Grandparents:
Geoff & Pam

Parents:
John & Kathryn

**Leave a Gift
in your Will**

It is thanks to your
legacy that we can
continue ours...

Charity number: 1148359
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We are the Children's Heart Surgery Fund

An award winning charity whose vision is for children to live life, beating congenital heart disease.

What is congenital heart disease?

That is the name for a range of damaging heart defects which can develop while a child is in the womb. It is one of the most common types of birth defect, affecting up to 9 in every 1,000 babies born and is the leading cause of birth defect-related deaths.

Leave a gift in your Will

Our mission is to make the Leeds Congenital Hearts Service a world-class centre of excellence, by providing the funding and resources needed to care for a child's heart, mind, family and future.

Leaving a gift in your Will contributes towards making our vision and mission a reality. With your help we are able to improve the lives of over 10,000 children who pass through the service each year.

As a wholly self-funded charity, it is your legacy that allows us to continue ours - supporting generations of hearts for life.

Our strategy

Care for the Heart

Look after the heart of anyone born with congenital heart disease, improving survival rates through supplying innovative medical equipment.

Care for the Mind

Improving the well-being of those touched by heart disease, providing everything from psychology staff to an engaging ward environment.

Care for the Family

Care for family members of children born with congenital heart disease - providing living accommodation nearby and offering a support network for everyone affected.

Care for the Future

Donate funds to local research projects to combat congenital heart disease, and support those affected by the disease throughout their adult life.

Benefits

Leaving a gift in your Will to Children's Heart Surgery Fund is a chance for you to keep making a difference to the cause you care about. It is the peace of mind your wishes will be met once you are gone.

You may qualify to pay a reduced rate of inheritance tax, and, as a charity, Children's Heart Surgery Fund will be exempted from inheritance tax.

Our promise

We promise to use your gift to develop and grow the work we do for children affected by Congenital Heart Disease in our region for generations to come.

Thanks to your gift, we will be able to support Leeds Congenital Heart Centre to become a recognised world class service by revolutionising patient facilities, which will enhance the whole patient experience.

You will help us stay ahead of the much needed ever evolving technology and equipment to support this service.

Testimonials

“The loss of our aunt was a very sad time for us all. But now having seen the difference that her donation has made to help all the people at the CHSF carry out their brilliant work, it has given us a real sense of pride in her wish to help the children who visit the ward. We now feel a strong connection with everyone involved which will last forever.

Jon & Karen Collinge

When our son was diagnosed we were very grateful for all the facilities that were available. It came as a surprise to learn just how much was the result of fundraising and not provided by the NHS. We are forever grateful and want to put something back to help others who may find themselves in a similar position.

Parents leaving a gift for CHSF in their will

It's no exaggeration to say that without the support of CHSF our jobs would be impossible. For example, by using the ultrasound machines recently provided by the charity, we are reducing the risks for every single child coming to the catheter theatre.

Dr Dominic Hares, Paediatric Cardiologist

An amazing charity! Without it many children would not survive their heart conditions. Their fundraising helped provide the equipment that kept my son alive and eventually allowed him to pull through and recover from serious heart surgery. The charity extends to providing accommodation and support to the children's parents and family during what is a very difficult time. Long may CHSF continue and be fully supported by all. Eddie Fisher, parent

Nine-year old Ellie Richardson has already had six heart surgeries and has battled back from a stroke.



Revolutionary equipment funded by Children's Heart Surgery Fund for the heart wards.

Adam Worker had open-heart surgery when he was only three weeks old, and will need more operations as he grows up.



Interested?

Thank you for your interest in including Children's Heart Surgery Fund in your Will.

There are a number of ways you might want to remember our charity in your Will: you could decide to leave a specific sum, a share of your estate or a specific item. Every gift is gratefully received and sincerely valued.

If you are thinking about leaving a gift to Children's Heart Surgery Fund in your Will, the best thing is to see your solicitor. They will be able to advise you how to write or amend your Will, and how to make a legacy to your charity.



Reply form

It would help our future planning tremendously if we knew that you intended to remember the charity in your Will. The information you give us will be treated in the strictest confidence. Please tick the appropriate box opposite:

- ☐ Children's Heart Surgery Fund is already included in my Will.
- ☐ I intend to include Children's Heart Surgery Fund in my Will.
- ☐ I would like further information about leaving a gift in my Will to Children's Heart Surgery Fund.

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