



**THE HUMANE SOCIETY  
OF THE UNITED STATES**

**Official Bequest Language**

*Legal name and address:*

The Humane Society of the United States  
1255 23rd Street NW, Suite 450  
Washington, DC 20037

*Federal Tax ID:* 53-0225390

*Telephone Number:* 800-808-7858

**Sample Bequest Wording**

**Sample #1 Percentage Bequest**

"I give, devise and bequeath to The Humane Society of the United States (tax identification number 53-0225390), a charitable corporation organized under Delaware law in 1954, now maintaining its headquarters in the District of Columbia at 1255 23rd Street NW, Suite 450, Washington, D.C. 20037, \_\_\_\_\_% of the rest and residue of my estate."

**Sample #2 Residuary Bequest**

"I give, devise and bequeath to The Humane Society of the United States (tax identification number 53-0225390), a charitable corporation organized under Delaware law in 1954, now maintaining its headquarters in the District of Columbia at 1255 23rd Street NW, Suite 450, Washington, DC 20037, the rest and residue of my estate."

**Sample #3 Bequest for a specific amount**

"I give and bequeath to the Humane Society of the United States (tax identification number 53-0225390), a charitable corporation organized under Delaware law in 1954, now maintaining its headquarters in the District of Columbia at 1255 23rd Street NW, Suite 450, Washington DC 20037, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_."

**Sample Bequest #4 Contingent Bequest**

"In the event that (name or names; i.e., spouse, children, sibling, heirs) shall not survive me, or shall die during the administration of my estate, within \_\_\_\_ days from the date of my death, or as a result of a common disaster, then I give, devise and bequeath those beneficiaries' shares of my estate to The Humane Society of the United States, (tax identification number 53-0225390), a charitable corporation organized under Delaware law in 1954, now maintaining its headquarters in the District of Columbia at 1255 23rd Street NW, Suite 450, Washington, DC 20037."

For further information, please contact The Humane Society of the United States Philanthropy Department at 800-808-7858 or [smaughan@humanesociety.org](mailto:smaughan@humanesociety.org).