**Remembering The Rix-Thompson-Rothenberg Foundation in your will**

By making a gift to The RTR Foundation in your will, you can help us open doors and create opportunities for some of the most inspirational and motivating people you could possibly meet, people who are also amongst the most disadvantaged and isolated in our society. Running for over 40 years, The RTR Foundation have helped more than 25,000 people with a learning disability fulfil their dreams. All have a common theme of being self advocates aiming to take control of their lives.

Your lasting legacy

We will look after all gifts with sensitivity and understanding. We will use your gift carefully and cost-effectively so that it has the greatest impact for the purposes you intended.

What your gift can support

If you wish, you can specify how your gift should be used by the Foundation for the benefit of people with learning disabilities. The Foundation will continue to make grants to enable people to become artists, dancers, singers and actors. We support people who have ambitions as individual sportspeople or as team players or people who seek to build a meaningful social life. The common theme is pushing back boundaries and creating opportunities, all the while demonstrating what is possible whilst the participants are having fun.

Leaving a gift in your will

If you live in the UK your gift should be directed to ‘The Rix-Thompson-Rothenberg Foundation’ Company Reg No 1638962 (England), Charity Commission No 285368.

By giving a gift to us, you can help to reduce your inheritance tax liability as any bequest to a charity is deducted from the value of the estate before inheritance tax liability is calculated.

How to leave a gift in your will

All gifts in your will should be directed in the first instance to ‘The Rix-Thompson-Rothenberg Foundation’.

There are several ways you may wish to consider leaving a gift in your will -

* a share of your estate or residuary legacy - this is a percentage of what remains after all other gifts and expenses have been made;
* a cash gift or pecuniary legacy - this is a gift of a fixed sum of money;
* you can gift property, antiques or stocks and shares to the Foundation as a gift in kind;
* you can also make the Foundation the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, company benefit or pension fund that you no longer need the cover for.

We are happy to answer your questions about legacies in general but would strongly recommend that you seek professional advice from an advisor who can advise you on the best way to record your intentions and the most tax-efficient way to administer your will.

If you already have a will in place, you can add the Foundation to your existing will using a codicil. A codicil provides the opportunity to make alterations to your existing will and will be read in conjunction with your existing will.

Recognising your generosity

Gifts of all sizes will be gratefully received. If you do not wish to let us know you have left a gift in your will, we would be delighted to have the opportunity to say thank you but will respect your choice and privacy. Any information you give to us will be treated in confidence and does not involve you in any binding commitment.

Gift Aid

Make your donation even more valuable without it costing you a penny. Are you a UK taxpayer? If so, you can use Gift Aid to make your donations go further by completing adeclaration form. If you Gift Aid your donation, RTR can claim Gift Aid tax relief of 25p on every pound you give. Please note that even if you are retired and on a pension you may still be a taxpayer.

The Gift Aid form is available on our website.

**Background information about the Foundation**

The RTR Foundation began life as the Mencap City Foundation in April 1982. It was established by the well-known actor and campaigner Brian Rix, who saw it as the legacy of his daughter, Shelley, who had learning disabilities. A Lord Mayor of London Appeal raised a considerable sum of money with the help of Neville Thompson and Helmut Rothenberg. This together with other donations was invested to establish the Foundation and the resulting income has been used ever since for grants. The Foundation later changed its name to The Rix-Thompson-Rothenberg Foundation in honour of its founders and became known as The RTR Foundation.

The next step is totalk to your advisor about leaving a legacy to RTR in your will.

If you have any questions or wish to make a donation immediately, please contact us by:

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Email: rtrfoundation@gmail.com

By post: RTR Foundation Administrator, The RTR Foundation, 7 Luna Place, Dundee Technology Park, Dundee DD2 1TP.

Thank you.