

MAKE YOUR LEGACY A FUTURE WITHOUT HUNGER

Leave a gift
in your Will

CONCERN
worldwide



A gift in your Will can help end hunger for generations to come.

In the world's most vulnerable communities, climate change is leading to deadly hunger. Extreme weather patterns, failed rains and prolonged droughts are destroying crops and livestock – leaving millions without food or harvests to sell.

For farmer and mother Lucia Tebulo, from Samu, Malawi, a lack of rainfall meant her staple maize crops have struggled to survive. But Lucia's local farmers' group has worked with Concern to introduce a new irrigation system to help keep the land fertile.

They've built a dam to reserve water, and have planted fast-growing Irish potatoes in addition to maize for more nutritious diets. Thanks to gifts in Wills, Lucia can also train other farmers with her new skills – a long-term solution to guard the community against hunger.

“With Concern’s help, we harvested twice this year. After harvesting maize, we planted Irish potatoes.”



Photo: Chris Gagnon/Concern Worldwide

Thanks to the amazing legacy gifts left to Concern, farmers like Lucia can use climate-smart agriculture techniques to adapt and protect their families from hunger and poverty.

Thank you for your compassion

It can touch and transform lives long into the future.



I'm here to help you with any questions you may have.

I'm so grateful that you have chosen to find out more about leaving a gift to Concern in your Will. It's a testament to your kindness and compassion that you are thinking of the world's most vulnerable people right now.

I know that this is a very personal decision. But I can assure you, gifts in Wills have had a phenomenal impact in reducing extreme poverty, hunger and suffering around the world.

Any gift you may choose to leave helps us stay working where poverty is most extreme, until the day that we are no longer needed – until the day no mother or father struggles to feed their child, when hunger is gone for good.

In these pages you'll learn more about our approach and how you can help us fight poverty and end the scourge of hunger in some of the world's poorest communities. And now is the perfect time to consider being part of this work, as you decide what you want your lasting legacy to be.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Siobhán O'Connor".

Siobhán O'Connor, Legacy Manager

The tools to build a better tomorrow

Your legacy gift will enable communities like Joseph's to adapt and thrive.

Joseph Marley is chief of Mkulira village, Malawi, where the seasonal rains that his community have relied on for generations have become dangerously unpredictable. In countries like Malawi, the climate crisis is forcing villages like Joseph's into poverty, leaving families fighting for survival.

Without rain, the land is becoming dust dry. Farmers in Joseph's village have worked day and night to try and irrigate vast farmlands with little more than watering cans. But harvests have failed, leaving families with no income,

no food for their children and no way to keep them safe from deadly malnutrition.

Across the world, people least responsible for the climate crisis are struggling to survive the impacts. As temperatures rise and droughts become more frequent, communities must find ways to adapt.

In Malawi, where 80% of the country relies on agriculture for their livelihood, gifts in Wills are vital to fund long-term, sustainable farming solutions to prevent deadly hunger. They're a legacy of hope: for many villages, gifts can

mitigate the severity of the crisis, providing the essential protection needed to build resilience for future generations.

With the help of climate-smart agricultural training, Joseph's village is fighting back. With support from Concern, a new solar-powered pump has meant the village can use innovative irrigation methods to grow drought-resistant seeds and diversify their crops. The increased water supply also means farmers can invest in livestock for the first time, boosting their income so they can keep their children healthy with nutritious food.

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**Joseph's vision is that
"everyone should be
self-reliant on food."**

By leaving a gift in your Will, you can help provide the vital tools and training that communities need to put an end to hunger, and build a future where Joseph's vision of self-reliance is a reality.

**A gift in your Will to
Concern can help
communities build vital
resilience, and a future
free from hunger.**

A photograph of a man with a warm smile, wearing a plaid shirt, standing with his arms crossed in a lush green cornfield. The corn stalks are tall and vibrant, reaching up towards the sky. The man is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the frame, looking directly at the camera.

***"We want to
reach a point
where we
have defeated
hunger.
We are done
with it."***

Thanks to the new secure water supply, harvests in Joseph's village have improved. For his community in Mkulira, this means food is not just for families to eat, but crops can be sold to pay for the children to go to school – a genuine legacy for the next generation.

Fighting for the future

Your kindness and compassion now will live on for generations to come.

Every year, legacy gifts left by Concern supporters mean vulnerable families and communities can adapt, become self-sufficient and work to overcome the impacts of the climate crisis.

Every gift left in a Will, no matter how big or small, will help ensure that tomorrow is better than yesterday – that together we can leave a legacy of a world without hunger. You can be part of that life-saving change with a gift to Concern in your Will.

“If my two children were in need, I would hope that somebody, somewhere would reach out to help them. With my legacy, I will be that person for somebody’s loved ones – you could be too.”

Fiona, Co. Louth

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Photo: Darren Vauglihan/Concern Worldwide

Mum-of-four Hadiza received help at Concern’s Founkoye clinic in Niger when her baby daughter, Nana, was diagnosed with severe acute malnutrition. It is through gifts left in Wills that Concern can help fund vital nutrition programmes and community support for mother’s like Hadiza.

*“I am proud to know that, even when I am gone,
my support will continue to save lives.”*

Colm, Co. Galway

*“Leaving a share of your estate in your Will to
Concern can turn your money into life – and hope –
for people with very few material goods.”*

Anonymous donor

*“Moments of kindness shine in the darkness and
give so much comfort – that’s the final gift I intend
to leave to the world.”*

James, Co. Wicklow

We’re so grateful to our generous supporters and the protection their legacy will offer to the children and families of tomorrow.

**Will you help create a world without hunger
with a gift in your Will?**



Photo: Conor O'Donovan/Concern Worldwide

Hawanatu is in Lokomasam, Sierra Leone, where over 70% of families are food insecure. Through legacy gifts, a new Farmer Field School is teaching her to cultivate crops, such as groundnuts, to help feed her family.

How you can leave a gift to Concern in your Will

Being part of a world without hunger is simple – here's our guide to leaving a gift:

- 1 It's a good idea to use a solicitor or Will-writer to make sure your wishes are carried out as you want them. If you don't have one already, you could find a solicitor through The Law Society's online directory or get recommendations from a friend.
- 2 We know it's important that you take care of your loved ones first – after that, any amount you leave to Concern will have a huge impact.
- 3 Have a think about which kind of gift you would like to leave Concern:
 - A **residuary** gift – a share of what is left after your loved ones have been provided for
 - A **pecuniary** gift – a specific amount of money
 - Or a **specific** gift – such as a piece of jewellery, or property.

- 4 Once you've decided which gift you'd like to leave, make an appointment with your solicitor or Will-writer to prepare your Will. They will advise you of any tax implications, but unlike when you leave parts of your estate to friends and family, leaving a gift to Concern in your Will is completely tax free.
- 5 You may have already drawn up your Will. In that case, you can still add a gift to Concern using a **codicil** – a legal document that serves to amend your Will. Your solicitor or Will-writer can advise you on this.

If you have any other questions, or would like to know how to start the process of leaving a gift, please do get in touch with our Legacy Manager, **Siobhán O'Connor**.
Phone: **01 417 8020**
Email: **siobhan.oconnor@concern.net**

For your solicitor or Will-writer

Everything they need to add
Concern to your Will.

Should you make the incredible decision to leave a gift in your Will to Concern, a solicitor or Will-writer will be best placed to make or amend your Will and ensure that your wishes are met. All the details they will need are below.

Charity name:
Concern Worldwide

Address:
**52-55 Lower Camden Street,
Dublin 2, Ireland D02 H425**

Registered Charity Number:
20009090

Registered Revenue Number:
CHY 5745



Photo: Chris Gagnon/Concern Worldwide

Eliza John Wesele has been supported through Concern's Graduation Programme in Malawi. Through training and funding, Eliza is able to grow kale and squash in her own home garden to help feed her family, and generate an income.

Our promise to you

When you choose Concern, your legacy is in safe hands.

We aim for the highest standards of effectiveness and transparency in all of our programmes, holding ourselves to internationally recognised standards.

Concern is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance. We have ensured that the organisation is fully compliant with the principles outlined in the Charities Governance Code.

Awarded 'Triple-Lock' membership from the Charities Institute Ireland, we have demonstrated our commitment to best practice in all aspects of good governance, transparency and fundraising, and adhere to the Dóchas Code of Conduct.

We are also engaged with wider efforts being taken to address safeguarding by the international aid community.



Photo: Conor O'Donovan/Concern Worldwide

Farmer Field School participants welcome Concern staff members to their community in Magbakworr, Sierra Leone.

How we spend your donations

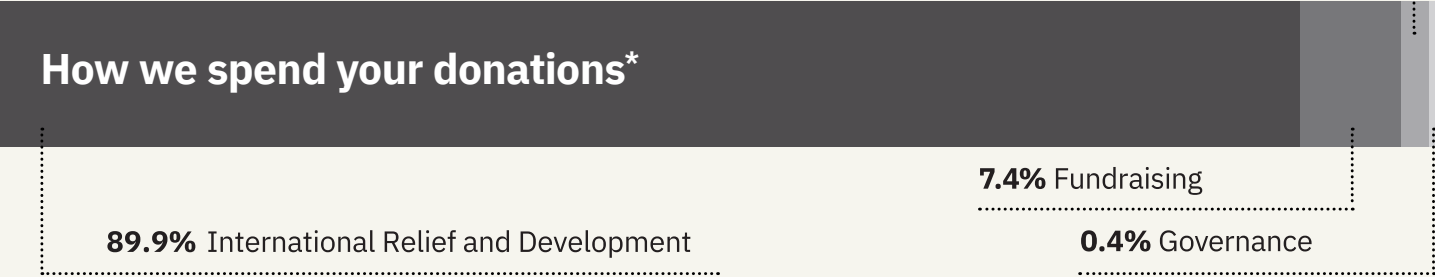
We make sure your gifts create a better tomorrow.

We promise that your money will be spent in the most efficient and effective way possible – bringing lasting change to the world’s most vulnerable communities and an end to extreme poverty.

No matter how much you choose to leave, your gift will help create a better future for generations to come. That will be your legacy. Together we can commit to a world without hunger and suffering.

You can see exactly how we prioritise the spending of your donations here:

*Figures correct for 2023



Let us know your intentions

Considering leaving a gift to Concern in your Will? We'd love to hear from you.

We'll always keep things private, but by letting us know your intentions, you can help us plan ahead, make preparations for the future and ensure your money is spent in the best possible way.

So please give us a call on **01 417 8020** or email our Legacy Manager Siobhán today, at **siobhan.oconnor@concern.net**. Or if you prefer, you can print and fill out our form and send it to the address below.

- I've already left a gift to Concern in my Will. I intend to include a gift to Concern in my Will.
 I have some questions. Please contact me in confidence.

Name

Telephone number

Email address

Address

Contact preference: Telephone Email Post

Please return to **Concern Worldwide, 52-55 Lower Camden Street, Dublin 2, Ireland D02 H425**

Thank you in advance for your wonderful generosity.

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Photo: Ed Ram/Concern Worldwide

Doma Mahamadou has 7 children, 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. She's been a member of the Tounji Illy community garden for four years, and says the diversity of the vegetables they grow on the plot helps keep the children healthy.

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