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Sample Bequest Language

The following sample language is provided as a general guide for you and your attorney. Bequests can take many forms, depending upon your own very personal goals:

- Unrestricted Gift: A gift that can be used where the need is greatest
- Gift for a Specific Purpose: A gift that is to be used for a purpose you designate
- Endowment Fund: A gift that lasts in perpetuity
- Residuary Bequest: Leaves any remainder after all other bequests have been paid
- Contingency Gift: Takes effect only if a primary intention can't be met

Sample Language:

Foundation at Sacramento State ("the Foundation"), a California non-profit public benefit corporation (tax identification number: 94-3001359), located at 6000 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95819-6030,		
[] []	the sum of \$; or% of my estate; or [describe the specific property you wish to give]; or	[] all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, both real and personal (after all other bequests have been paid)
	ablish or augment, if already established, the _enefit of the	Fund ("the Fund") for
[]	University; or College of; or Department; or und, consistent with the investment and spend	
[]	[endowed fund option] shall be used as a perm	nanent endowment, the distributions from which
shall k	pe used	
	[unrestricted "where the need is greatest" opto [specific purpose option] forscholarship, professorship, faculty development	[describe the specific purpose, e.g. a

While unlikely, if at any time in the judgment of the Board of Directors of the Foundation, it is impossible or impracticable to carry out exactly this designated purpose, the Foundation shall determine an alternative purpose as near as possible to my designated intent."