

A gift to the Walkway Over the Hudson in your will or revocable trust enables you to support our mission and make a difference in the lives of many future future generations. A bequest:

- is easy to arrange.
- will not alter your current lifestyle in any way.
- can be easily modified to address your changing needs.

When creating your will or trust, please refer to our organization as:

Walkway Over the Hudson, 300 Washington Street, Suite 300, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

Tax ID: xx-xxxxxxx

## BEQUEST LANGUAGE

There are several different ways to include the Walkway Over the Hudson as a beneficiary of your will or trust. Here are some examples of suggested language. Please feel free to adapt this language with your attorney to fit your individual situation.

### RESIDUAL GIFT LANGUAGE

A residual bequest comes to us after your estate expenses and specific bequests are paid:

I give and devise to the Walkway Over the Hudson, located in Poughkeepsie, New York, all (or state a percentage) of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to be used for its general support (or for the support of a specific fund or park)

### SPECIFIC GIFT LANGUAGE

Naming the Walkway Over the Hudson as a beneficiary of a specific amount or percentage of your estate is easy:

I give and devise to the Walkway Over the Hudson, located in Poughkeepsie, New York, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (%) to be used for its general support (or for the support of a specific fund or park).

### CONTINGENT GIFT LANGUAGE

The Walkway Over the Hudson can be named as a contingent beneficiary in your will or personal trust if one or more of your specific bequests cannot be fulfilled:

If (insert name) is not living at the time of my demise, I give and devise to the Walkway Over the Hudson, located in Poughkeepsie, New York the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (or all or a percentage of the residue of my estate) to be used for its general support (or for the support of a specific fund or park).

### RETIREMENT PLAN BENEFICIARY LANGUAGE

You may name the Walkway Over the Hudson as a beneficiary of your IRA or other qualified retirement benefits. Donors should consult with their tax advisor regarding the tax benefits of such gifts. Naming the Walkway Over the Hudson as the beneficiary of a qualified retirement plan asset such as a 401(k), 403(b), IRA, Keogh or profit-sharing pension plan will accomplish a charitable goal while realizing significant tax savings. It can be costly to pass such assets on to heirs because of heavy tax consequences. By naming the Walkway Over the Hudson as a beneficiary of a retirement plan, the donor maintains complete control over the asset while living, but at the donor's death the plan passes to support the Foundation free of both estate and income taxes. Making a charitable gift from your retirement plan is easy and should not cost you any attorney fees. Simply request a change-of-beneficiary form from your plan administrator. Then, enter the Walkway Over the Hudson (Tax id # xx-xxxxxxx) on the form with the percent you would like us to receive. When you have finished, please return the form to your plan administrator and notify the National Park Foundation. We can also assist you with the proper language for your beneficiary designation to the Foundation.

### CUSTOMIZED LANGUAGE

If you or your attorney would like the Foundation to provide you with customized beneficiary language that is specific to your goal and interest, please contact us.