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Thinking about a bequest?

If you would like to leave something to charity as well as providing for your family, this page explains how it fits with Islamic inheritance rules.

Family comes first

The shares of your main heirs, such as your spouse, children and parents, are fixed. A bequest does not replace them. Debts and funeral costs are paid first.

The one-third limit

A bequest to someone who is not an heir, including a charity, is limited to one third of your estate, unless all your heirs agree to more.

Before you decide

1. Try Raashid at raashid.com. It is free, takes about five minutes, and runs privately on your device. Its worksheet at raashid.com/worksheet helps you note your wishes. It is not a will.
2. Speak with your own scholar about any religious question, including zakat and other obligations.
3. Have a will prepared by a licensed attorney in your country. Local law decides how a will must be written.
4. Give your attorney our details. Our bequest details sheet is attached.

Good to know

- There is no expectation that you include us.
- This is general information. It is not legal, religious, tax or financial advice.
- Raashid is an independent free tool. We do not endorse it, and it does not endorse us.

Organisation: [Charity name]
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