**Your Legacy Can Bring Hope to People Impacted by Vision Loss**

**Bequest Giving – Center for the Visually Impaired**

Thank you for considering a bequest to CVI. Please share the following suggested language with your attorney or financial advisor as you prepare or revise your will.

**Unrestricted Bequest**
"I give and bequeath *a percentage of my estate, or a dollar amount* to the Center for the Visually Impaired Foundation, a non-profit organization in Atlanta, Georgia, for its general purposes."

**Codicil to Last Will and Testament**
***If your estate plans are up to date, you can simply draft a short codicil, or amendment, to the existing document, using this or similar language:*** "I hereby amend my Last Will and Testament, executed on the xx day of month in the year xxxx. I direct that all provisions of that Last Will and Testament remain in effect but in addition direct that the Center for the Visually Impaired Foundation, a non-profit organization in Atlanta, Georgia, shall receive the sum of xxx dollars to be used to further the services of the Center.

**Bequest for an Endowment**
"I give and bequeath *a percentage of my estate, or a dollar amount* to the Center for the Visually Impaired Foundation, a non-profit organization in Atlanta, Georgia, to establish an endowed fund (*or the John Doe Fund, or similar wording*), to be held as a permanent endowment, which shall be used for (*list one of five endowment choices here*). Such fund shall be held, invested, and applied in accordance with the endowment policies of the Center as amended from time to time.

If at the time of my death the realized amount is less than the minimum amount required to establish a restricted endowment fund, or in the event that such use shall become unnecessary or impracticable then I direct that my gift shall be devoted to such purposes as the CVI Foundation Board of Trustees shall determine, keeping such use as close to my intent as possible."

**Savings Clause**
***If your bequest is restricted for a particular purpose, we ask that you incorporate a "savings clause" to accommodate changes over time in the needs of the Center:*** "In the event that such use shall become unnecessary or impracticable, I direct that my gift shall be devoted to such purposes as the Center for the Visually Impaired Foundation Board of Trustees shall determine, keeping its use as close to my intent as possible."

**If you are considering designating your bequest for a specific purpose, please contact us.**

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*This information is not intended as legal or tax advice. Please discuss planned gift options with your attorney, financial or tax advisor.*