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I rang the support line and spoke to Annie who was a great listener, offered information and support, and followed up my questions via email. - 'V', a service user

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# Leaving a legacy of kindness

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**A gift in your Will** can help to ensure that people affected by ovarian cancer can access our life changing-support.

## On behalf of everyone at Ovacome,

I am grateful to you for considering leaving a gift in your Will. We know just what an enormous difference a gift in your Will could make to Ovacome in helping us deliver our support to people who may be feeling vulnerable, shocked by their diagnosis or alone.

I hope this guide will help answer any questions you might have about making this special gift. **If you need any more information or have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Lee Priestly on 07471 761 465 or email her at [l.priestly@ovacome.org.uk](mailto:l.priestly@ovacome.org.uk)**

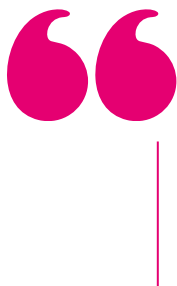


*Anna Hudson*

**Anna Hudson**  
Head of Support, Ovacome

Your gift could make a **vital difference** in ensuring that Ovacome's life-changing support services **continues into the future.**

Your gift could provide life-changing support for someone like Caroline:



“Knowing you're there – an expert ear who I can trust – is **priceless**. I don't need to be scared anymore, as I know **Ovacome will have the answers.**”

# The different types of gifts

There are **three types** of gift you can leave in your Will:



## A residuary gift

This is a **percentage of your estate** once any specified gifts have been made to friends and family. Many of our supporters choose to leave this type of gift because it does not lose value over time and they can ensure that their loved ones are well-looked after first and foremost.



## A pecuniary gift

This is a **specific amount of money**. You can specify the exact sum you want to give Ovacome. However, over time, due to inflation this type of gift may lose value from the impact you originally intended.



## A specific gift

This is a gift of **a specified item** – such as a personal possession, land, buildings or stocks and shares.



## What should I write if I want to leave a gift?

### A residuary gift

To include a residuary gift, you could use this wording: I give to Ovacome, 52-54 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y 8RT, registered charity numbers 1159682 [all / \_\_%] of the residue of my estate absolutely for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of the proper officer at Ovacome for the time being shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors.

### A pecuniary gift

To include this kind of gift, you could use this wording: I give to Ovacome, 52-54 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y 8RT, registered charity numbers 1159682 the sum of [£specify words and figures] free of tax for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of the proper officer at Ovacome for the time being shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors.

### Specific

To include a specific gift, you could use this wording: I give to Ovacome, 52-54 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y 8RT, registered charity numbers 1159682 [name and description of item] absolutely for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of the proper officer at Ovacome for the time being shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors.

## Inheritance Tax

Because we're a charity, most gifts to us are exempt from Inheritance Tax. In some cases, your gift could also reduce the amount of Inheritance. You can find out about other charitable tax benefits by visiting HMRC at: [gov.uk/browse/tax/inheritance-tax](https://gov.uk/browse/tax/inheritance-tax) or by asking a solicitor.



## Who should write my Will? Can I write my own Will?

We suggest you use a solicitor or Will-writer, though it's not necessary. But you should get your Will reviewed by a legal expert to make sure it's valid and legal. Our trusted partners offer free Will-writing and updating services.

### Our two free Will-writing and Will updating partners:

#### Thomas Bradley Legal

We have also partnered with Thomas Bradley Legal, one of the leading Estate Planning legal firms in Scotland. They offer a free Will writing service and updating service for anyone 50 years and over living in Scotland, England and Wales. For further information on the services they are providing in our partnership please don't hesitate to get in touch with them on **0330 390 9200** or email **info@thomasbradleylegal.co.uk** to arrange a chat with one of their consultants.

*\*Please note, the free Will offer is currently unavailable in Northern Ireland due to differing Will-writing laws.*

#### Kwil

Ovacome has partnered up with Kwil to offer a free online Will writing service, and an updating service for people over 18 years living in England and Wales It can take as little as 30 minutes. When you reach the checkout, please enter the discount code **OVACOME** and there will be nothing to pay, visit **[www.kwil.co.uk/affiliate?partner=Ovacome](http://www.kwil.co.uk/affiliate?partner=Ovacome)**

If you'd prefer to speak to someone they also offer telephone and online support call one of Kwil's Will writing experts on **0800 061 4934**, they will be able to take you through the process over the phone.





To find out more, visit [www.ovacome.org.uk/legacy](http://www.ovacome.org.uk/legacy) or call Lee Priestly on 07471 761 465



“Ovacome has been such a help and support to me personally. During Covid the tea and chat sessions were a life saver. The stoma group taught me so much and I didn’t feel alone. And now the yoga keeps me calm, and the crafts keep my brain and fingers busy. That’s why I’m leaving Ovacome a gift in my Will.” - *An Ovacome member who decided to leave a gift in her Will for Ovacome*

Ovacome has been supporting those diagnosed with ovarian cancer and their loved ones since 1996. We provide a wide range of services, including **1-1 personalised support**, as well as **support groups** and **online events**. These services have been recognised through a number of national award nominations. We have raised public awareness of the signs and symptoms and educated the clinical community on the patient perspective and symptoms of the disease.



“I just wanted to let anybody know who may be curious or even hesitant about reaching out to Ovacome that it has taken me from a lonely scary place to a place of empowerment with the information and support services provided, thank you!” - *Elizabeth*

By supporting us, you are helping us be there for **anyone** affected by the disease when they need us most.

*Thank you.*