

Leave your **legacy** of love
for our community



**WAYSIDE
CHAPEL**





Message from Jon



Wayside provides a welcoming community and a dedicated team of staff and volunteers to walk alongside people on their darkest days. With the right support at the right time, moments of transformation occur and people start taking the first tentative steps towards better health and better days.

Like any strong community, our success over the years has relied on the kindness and compassion of our supporters. Charitable bequests have played a big part in making sure our community continues to flourish. Without these special acts of generosity, we simply couldn't help as many people as we do by keeping our doors open to everyone.

By leaving a gift in your Will, you're saying that every person matters. You're providing the basic necessities like a shower, a change of clothes and a meal for someone in crisis, as well as accommodation support, legal and medical care and the chance for people to build meaningful connections that lead to the most powerful transformations.

If you're considering leaving a bequest to Wayside, I thank you for your special commitment to building a stronger and more compassionate community for generations to come.

Warm regards,

Jon Owen
Pastor and CEO of Wayside Chapel

About Wayside

Wayside Chapel has been providing unconditional love, care and support for people on and around the streets of Sydney since 1964. Each year, thousands of people visit Wayside's two centres in Kings Cross and Bondi Beach to access essential health, welfare, social and recreational services.

Wayside Chapel is well known for its Community Service Centres, dedicated Aboriginal Space, and The Wingspan Project – a youth employment pathway.

Wayside's social enterprises include the op shops, and the Heart Cafe in Bondi Beach. In 2020, Wayside expanded its care beyond its buildings with outreach teams delivering support to people on the streets, as well as to people who are house-bound, but still in need of connection.

Our Impact

Over a year, Wayside provides:



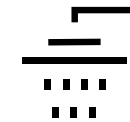
54,369

Hot meals



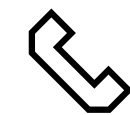
16,734

Items of clothing



13,967

Showers & toiletries



2,429

Instances of care coordination

Our Impact

“Street life’s different ... when you have nothing, you have nothing to lose. Wayside saved my life. I owe so much to Wayside.”

Josh

“Where I live, it’s very boring and lonely. I come to Wayside to be around people. I like the free breakfast, the very reasonable lunches, I like the computers as I can’t get internet where I live. But it’s mostly the people I come for – the staff, vollies and other visitors, they’re good people. It’s somewhere good to go.”

Robin

“What Wayside has given to me over the last 20 years is stability. I’ve been studying art a while, got two diplomas and now I’m going to get my degree with the help of Wayside. Now, I teach art at Wayside on Monday’s at Bondi CSC. The people there are always eager to learn and very grateful.”

Danielle

“When I first came to Wayside when I was younger, I was heaps scared. I’d go in to have a shower then go straight back out. I didn’t feel comfortable at first sticking around engaging or nothing but as the years went by, the workers started making me feel at ease, and now, it’s like home. I got pushed from place-to-place and service-to-service, but Wayside cemented me and helped with a lot of things. Even today they are still helping me.”

Dale

“I’ve been coming to Wayside for 20 years and they helped me by getting me off the streets and into temporary accommodation. They are trying to find a place where I can be permanently housed with my dog Mambo, who is my only family. It’s a place where there are caring people who ask how you are, and it’s nice to feel connected and receive ongoing support.”

Lisa





How your gift can **change** lives in **the future**

For nearly 60 years, Wayside Chapel has played an important part in the lives of many people who have found themselves in crisis with nowhere else to turn. Offering a place where everyone is welcome with open arms and open hearts has helped people move towards health and happiness.

Your lasting gift will help to provide the required ongoing support and wrap-around care such as emergency meals, showers, counselling, accommodation and referrals to employment and legal services to help people get back on their feet.

Bequests also cover the costs of programs that help people flourish and find their purpose in life. These include workplace training and employment programs for young people who have faced long-term disadvantage and programs that foster a deep connection with culture and country for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Most of all, your gift will help build a sense of connection for people who feel discarded by the rest of society. By providing a safe place for people to visit, as well as social and recreational activities, you'll be breaking down the barriers that divide us, and creating a community of no 'us and them' for future generations.



James' story

“I don't know where I'd be without Wayside, I know that my case workers are there every step of the way if I need it. Wayside has played a big part in that. Now I'm looking at a brighter future.”

“Wayside Chapel really had heart when it came to dealing with me at my worst. They were always there to talk to. This year Wayside Chapel helped me get housing. I've never had keys to open my own door until now. It's the little things I love. Sleeping at other people's houses all the time means you are never in control of anything. Originally, I lost my job and my mum was sick, and she got worse, my first marriage broke up, then later my partner passed away. I ended up on the streets, it was too easy, you think you have that foundation and one day it's gone.”

James is 36 and has been coming to Wayside for more than 10 years. At first he came for breakfast and to access the internet. As time went on, he grew more comfortable and would stay for a shower, clean clothes, something to eat, some blankets when he was sleeping rough and slowly he gained the strength and courage to get his life back on track. Support from staff at Wayside helped James enter a detox program and he is now enjoying life sober.

When James was given the opportunity to apply for housing, the volume of paperwork felt overwhelming. Wayside helped James with the applications, sourced furniture and helped him move in to his new home.



Robyn's story

Donor and Wayside Angel

“I feel a strong sense of importance and worth in helping others.”

Robyn has been a friend of Wayside for many years. She is inspired by the strength of people who are marginalised from society, and she feels compelled to help make a difference.

I first came to know and follow Wayside through listening to Rev Graham Long (Wayside Chapel's former Pastor and CEO) on ABC 702 Radio National. Hearing stories about people who are vulnerable and finding the beauty in each of them really resonated with me.

I love Wayside because it is a place so full of love. The kindness and respect that staff and volunteers give to everyone who passes through the doors is so admirable. There is truly no 'us and them' as everyone is included and walked with to that very edge and back.

I feel very blessed in life and know that if circumstances were different, I could easily be someone who needed support from Wayside. I feel a strong sense of importance and worth in helping others.

When I last needed to update my Will, it gave me so much joy to include a bequest to Wayside Chapel. I appreciate this is somewhat of a cliché however it still rings true to me: it always feels like I get more than I ever give. It fills my heart to support Wayside now and is so comforting knowing that I will be able to support people after I am no longer here.



Graham's story

Wayside Grandfather

(Former Pastor & CEO, 2004-2018)

Wayside Angel

“Most of us fall over at one point in life. Errors, mistakes and hurt are gifts and opportunities if given the right support. It's what Wayside does, and I want my last gift to provide that sort of support for someone.”

It's a rare thing to know you are the right person in the right place at the right time and when I began at Wayside in 2004, I knew this - and yet I knew it in a way that the mission was bigger, greater and more central, than me.

During these years I was fully alive, loving the work, the people we served and the people who came alongside to help. In 2004, our buildings were dilapidated and in a large part, condemned. While I couldn't see our future path, I had a strong sense of our destiny. I didn't know much about fundraising, governance or management but I knew our city, state and country needed Wayside; and skilled people, good people, agreed that it must not be allowed to drift into history.

Everything we know about ourselves has come as a gift from someone else. Others provided for us, others sacrificed for us, others saw potential in us, others believed in us. Our very bodies we discovered as a gift from others. Others taught us, others modelled discipline, passion and the value of hard work. Our achievements are like the baton in a relay race. I've tried in my life to invest in others and as I approach the end of my life, I ponder how I might use my estate as an investment for others. I'd like to use my last gift to prove there is life after death. When I'm gone, I'd love to think I was helping to provide an opportunity for someone who never had my advantages.

Making a lasting impact is easy – here's how:

1 Speak with your loved ones

Talk to those closest to you about your decision to leave a gift in your Will to charity. Doing so means you trust the organisation and believe in the vital work they do. Wayside Chapel would be honoured to be held in such high regard.

2 Choose your legacy

Two ways you can leave a gift to Wayside Chapel in your Will are:

- Specific bequest: Specify the percentage share or dollar amount that each of your chosen charities receives.
- Residual bequest: Pass on the remainder of your estate to your chosen charities, after other legacies have been fulfilled.

Please bear in mind that leaving a percentage rather than a dollar amount has the advantage of automatically keeping up with inflation, eliminating the need for you to update your will later on.

3 Use the correct wording

Here is some suggested wording to ensure your gift is used in accordance with your wishes.

'I give to UCA – Wayside Chapel as operator of a PBI (ABN 77 406 918 553) free of all taxes and other deductions the ____% share / \$____ / residue of my estate for its general charitable purposes, and the authorised receipt given on behalf of UCA – Wayside Chapel as operator of a PBI shall be sufficient discharge to my trustee or executor.'

4 Write and legalise your Will

If you already have a Will in place, you will need to prepare a simple codicil to update your wishes. If you do not have a Will, you will need to include a specific bequest when your Will is prepared. A solicitor, lawyer or estate planner can assist you to do this under your direction. Your Will is not legal until it is signed and witnessed. You can change your Will and your beneficiaries at any time.

5 Please let us know

We understand that your Will is very personal. But by letting us know that you've made your bequest, we can send you our heartfelt thanks and recognise you as a committed supporter of Wayside Chapel in your lifetime. You don't have to tell us the amount you intend to leave – simply let us know that you're leaving a gift and we can make sure to keep you up to date about our vital work in the community. Call Liz on 0490 103 948 or email giftinwills@thewaysidechapel.com.



Be a Wayside Angel

You don't have to have a lot to make an impact on future generations. People who choose to leave a bequest to Wayside Chapel come from all walks of life. Often they are people who live their lives generously to help others, and have decided they want to keep this generosity going even after they've gone. No matter who you are, your gift will help make a lasting difference.

People who let us know they have included a gift to Wayside in their Will are Angels in our eyes. By becoming a Wayside Angel, you will be joining a very exceptional group of like-minded supporters. Being a part of this community means you are saying that every person matters, and you are willing to contribute to make a lasting difference in people's lives.

As a Wayside Angel, you will be invited to special Wayside Chapel events and provided with updated information about what is happening at Wayside and in our community. Together, Wayside Angels are leaving a legacy that helps create a community with no 'us and them'.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why leave a gift in my Will to Wayside Chapel?

We rely on the kindness of people like you to help us continue our work, as government funding only covers 16% of our costs.

How do I make or change my Will?

We would strongly advise the use of a solicitor to obtain expert advice and ensure accuracy. We also advise that you consult a solicitor when writing or making changes to an existing Will.

Can I make a gift in my Will to more than one charity?

Yes, your solicitor can arrange this for you.

Do I need to leave my entire estate to Wayside Chapel?

No, and we strongly encourage you to ensure that you look after your family and/or loved ones first.

What type of gift would Wayside Chapel prefer?

Whilst any gift is greatly appreciated, a residual legacy or a percentage are the preferred options because they automatically keep up with inflation, eliminating the need for you to update your Will later on.

Why should I let you know that I have left you a gift in my Will?

Informing us of your generous decision is important as it allows us to thank you personally and to welcome you as a Wayside Angel – a group of like-minded supporters, so that we can keep you updated on your impact and Wayside Chapel's work. As a Wayside Angel you will receive invitations to attend special events and will be kept informed of the great work happening at Wayside Chapel. We can also discuss other recognition options with you.

What if I want my gift to remain anonymous?

We would still love to thank you privately, however, we respect all our supporters' wishes and your details will be held in strictest confidence. You will control the level of contact that you receive from us.

I have already made my Will – is it too late for me to leave a gift in my Will to Wayside Chapel?

Not at all. Changing your Will and adding a gift to Wayside Chapel is easy – all you have to do is make a 'codicil' (or a document that amends a previously executed Will). When you next see your solicitor, just take a copy of our wording with you and they can simply update your existing Will for you.

Our promise to you

- We acknowledge the significance of your wish to leave a gift to Wayside Chapel.
- We understand that loved ones come first, and we encourage you to discuss your intention with them before finalising your Will.
- We will always respect your privacy. Any information you give us regarding your Will shall be held in strict confidence and shall not be publicly disclosed without your express permission.
- We'd love to hear whether you've included Wayside Chapel in your Will, but you don't have to tell us if you don't want to.
- If you do decide to tell us that you intend to leave a gift, we'll keep you updated on our work, in the ways that you prefer.
- We will ensure your gift is used in the most effective way.



At a glance

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Wording for your solicitor:

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Wayside's Legal Name

UCA - Wayside Chapel as operator of a PBI

ABN

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