SEE ABILITY
220 YEARS
SEEING ABILITY SINCE 1799
Extraordinary every day
Help create a brighter future for people with learning disabilities, autism and sight loss.
If you see ability and, like us, want to champion it, please consider giving a gift in your Will.

The Extraordinary difference a gift in your Will can make

Your kind gift can help build a brighter future for children and adults with learning disabilities, autism and sight loss. It can help fund innovative local services, essential equipment, specialist support teams and vital eye care programmes that can give the gift of sight.

Gifts in Wills, of all sizes, have an enormous impact on the lives of people SeeAbility supports.

Your support is vital.

Gifts in Wills can help people see the world more clearly

Joseph sees the benefit

A clearer world for Joseph

Due to a rare genetic condition, Joseph uses a wheelchair and struggles with communication. It was hard to find an optician with wheelchair access and the right specialist who could test his eyes.

SeeAbility's dedicated and highly trained optometrist successfully tested Joseph's eyes in the familiar environment of his special school, then ensured he got the right glasses.

The right glasses mean children can learn, communicate and feel more confident.

People with learning disabilities are much more likely to have problems with their eyes and vision, but are far less likely to get the eye care they need.

Our work helps thousands of children and adults with learning disabilities get the eye care they need to live life to the full.

Gifts in Wills can help people to live their best life possible

Supporting people to gain independence

With both a visual impairment and learning disabilities, Lucy has done a marvellous job learning to travel independently to her voluntary jobs.

Our specialist support team worked intensively with Lucy until she felt able to travel alone. She now has much more confidence and loves the freedom this gives her. In fact Lucy's ambition is to use her experience and move into paid employment.

Lucy doing a great job

Providing innovative support and accommodation

Gifts in Wills, plus innovative thinking and design, help to build, equip and refurbish services which are designed for people's needs and give them more choice about how they live their lives.

SeeAbility has one of the country's most comprehensive in-house teams of specialists. This includes consultant behaviour analysts, speech therapists, physios, optometrists and vision rehabilitation workers, who, together with skilled support workers, build inclusive communities.

Pauline relaxing in the sensory garden

Volunteers connect people with their community

The friendship, care and dedication of our volunteer team helps the people we support build incredibly valuable links with their community.

We rely on charitable funding for the recruitment, professional training and development of our volunteers.

Anne, who is registered blind, enjoying tandem cycling

Planning for the future

Making a Will is important. It allows you to confirm key decisions such as provision for family and friends, how to treat assets and who will be an executor.

Some people also use the opportunity to leave something for a favourite charity, especially as it's a gift that has no immediate cost. This might be a fixed amount or a percentage of any amount left over after other gifts.

If you already have a Will, it's easy to add a gift with a codicil to save making a new one. A simple Will can cost surprisingly little.

When making or changing a Will, we recommend you use a solicitor. Find a local solicitor using the Law Society website **www.lawsociety.org.uk**

A gift made to charity is free of tax as it's deducted from an estate before Inheritance Tax.

Thank you for considering such a wonderful gesture for the future

As one of the oldest UK disability charities, SeeAbility has been providing extraordinary support for people with learning disabilities, autism and sight loss for over 220 years.

By supporting SeeAbility, you'll be one of us - a dedicated group of people who see ability and ensure that people are valued and included in their communities.

Every gift of every size given to SeeAbility is hugely valued and used wisely.

Please visit our website **www.seeability.org** to see the impact gifts of all kinds have on the people SeeAbility supports.

If you have any further questions, please contact us in confidence on:

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