

LCNV IS UNIQUE because it focuses on beginning-level English language and basic literacy-level learners in a research-based, National Reporting Standards approved academic life-skills program. LCNV is an entry point for adult learners, helping thousands take their first crucial steps toward becoming financially and technically literate, passing the citizenship test, or enrolling in specialized job training that will help their families thrive.

A BEQUEST TO LCNV supports our critical work helping adults with low literacy and language skills become more empowered in their communities.

You may realize significant tax savings through your charitable bequests and giving. We would be happy to discuss the best approach for you.

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“When I came to America, I didn’t know English. When I went anywhere, I had to go with my husband. I didn’t understand and I didn’t speak English with anyone. I was worried. Now I’m learning English. I’m very self-reliant.”

Huong, LCNV Student



When You Create or Update Your Will

A will is a legal document. But a will is first and foremost about you and the people and community you care about. Your will is about your family members, friends and loved ones, and the charitable organizations you support, like the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia (LCNV).

When you create or update your will, you can make sure those who need your help will receive it. Here's how you can do this:

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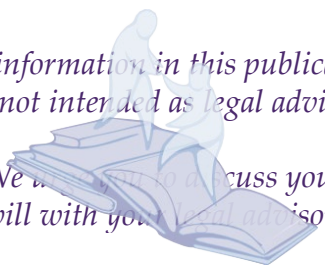
SPECIFIC NEEDS Perhaps you have grandchildren who you would like to help with college expenses, or children who you want to help with a down payment for a house or medical expenses. Be specific and mention your beneficiaries and bequests by name.

INCLUDE SPECIAL ITEMS If you have a collection of art objects, jewelry or other valuable and prized possessions that you would like to leave to someone, then make sure you include them in your will, so they will not be sold or included in a blanket bequest of your remaining estate.

REMEMBERING LCNV When you create or update your will, perhaps you will wish to take advantage of special estate tax-savings and include a charitable gift to LCNV.

The information in this publication is not intended as legal advice.

We want to discuss your will with your legal advisor.



How Can You Support LCNV?

Your past support of LCNV has been a critical part of our success in providing literacy education programs for adults at the lowest literacy and English language levels—and to helping them make measureable improvements in their lives and communities. You can continue your critical support today through:

CASH GIFTS Your cash gift, made payable to LCNV, will help us continue and develop programs to help adults struggling with basic literacy and language skills.

STOCKS OR SECURITIES When you transfer stock or other securities to LCNV, they are tax deductible at their fair market value. If you have held the security for more than a year before donating it to LCNV, you will not be liable for capital gains tax on any appreciation.

BEQUESTS Just as a bequest to your family contributes to their future, a bequest to LCNV is a simple way in which you can provide lasting support to help teach adults the basic skills of reading, writing, and speaking English. Your bequest can be a specific sum, a percentage of your estate, or items such as real estate, securities, and personal property.

For those considering such a bequest, here is sample language for your will:

I give to the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia the sum of \$_____ (or provide a description of property or stock that is to be donated) to be used in such a manner as its Board of Directors may determine.

Yes, I Want to Leave a Legacy to LCNV

This information is strictly confidential.
Please print clearly.

Name

Street Address

City, State

Zip code

(_____) _____
Telephone

☐ **please call me so i can obtain more information.**

I have already included LCNV in my estate plan through:

- ☐ My will
- ☐ An insurance policy
- ☐ A trust
- ☐ Other: _____

Detach this section along dotted line and enclose in the provided envelope.

