



Would you consider making a gift in your will to Autistica?

One in a hundred people has autism
– disrupting family life dramatically
and permanently.

Autistica is the leading charity in the UK raising funds for research into effective interventions and better diagnosis of autism, so that we can ease the burden for families living with this perplexing and often distressing disorder.

A gift in your will to Autistica will make a real difference to autistic children of this generation and those to come.



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A Message from Jane Asher

I am very pleased and honoured to be a Vice President of Autistica, an organisation I have long admired and whose aims I have always strongly supported.

Autism has been an important part of my life for nearly thirty years now, and I have always believed in the essential role of research.

Having seen at first hand the ways in which the lives of those affected by the disorder, and of those around them, can be devastated by this complex condition, I am convinced that biomedical research into interventions and diagnosis of autism is a major key to making the future brighter for the hundreds of thousands affected in the UK – and for their families.

I have also met many adults with autism, undiagnosed and untreated in their early years, who spend their lives in fear and anxiety. With enough funds we can discover the causes of autism so that no more children have to grow up into a blighted future.

I would be immensely grateful if you would consider making a lasting gift to Autistica in your will.

With best wishes.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane".

Jane Asher
Vice President



Why Autistica?



Autistica is committed to discovering the causes of autism so that we can seek improved diagnosis and **more effective interventions.**

Our operating costs are sponsored by a foundation, which means that all donations made by our supporters go directly to the research we fund. And all the research we fund is robust, peer reviewed and as its ultimate objective, seeks to ease the burden of families affected by autism.

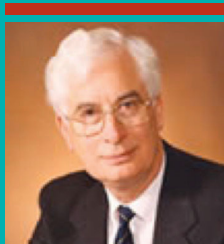
A pledge in your will now to Autistica will enable us to plan for the long term. We believe that we will have some tangible answers to the autism

mystery within ten years, but this research journey and the journey thereafter, needs ongoing financial investment.

If a lasting pledge to autism research in your memory – or perhaps a specific research project in your name – is something you are interested in, we would be delighted to chat with you about our research in more detail. Please get in touch with Philippa Stannard, on **01189 016876** or at **philippa.stannard@autistica.org.uk**

Sir Christopher Ball

My wife and I have addressed the question of where to redirect our money, when in due course the second death occurs. Try as we may, we have only found three answers to that question; **our children (and grandchildren)**, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and **charity**.



We are proud of our children and we will, of course, provide appropriately for them. And whether we like it or not, the Chancellor will take his share. And then there is the third choice – charity.

My wife and I have decided to leave a legacy of £10,000 to Autistica (as well as to a number of

other charities) in memory of our fifth child, who was himself autistic and died a few years ago.

As someone close to Autistica, I ask you too, to consider making a legacy pledge to this unique charity. It is important that we inform our selected charities of our decisions, to enable them to factor in these gifts for their future security. Of course, we hope that these benefactions won't be made for a long time!

But you never know.

Making a Will

Making a will and keeping it up to date is important, so that you can provide for your loved ones. Once their needs have been met, you might then consider leaving a gift to Autistica.

There are three types of gift you can make to Autistica through your will:

Residuary Legacy

This is a percentage of what is left over after all gifts have been made, expenses deducted and inheritance tax paid.

Pecuniary Legacy

This is a specified amount of money.

Specific Legacy

This can be, for example, jewellery, art, a car or property.

Your solicitor can advise you on the benefits of the different types of legacy. If you would like to leave a gift to Autistica this way, your solicitor can use the following wording for a pecuniary or residuary bequest, which will ensure your wishes are followed accurately.

Residuary Legacy

"I give % of the residue of my real and personal estate, which I can dispose of by my will in any matter I think proper, to Autistica (Charity Registration Number 1107350), 7 Fairmile, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, RG9 2JR and the Receipt of the Honorary Treasurer or the proper officer for the time being of Autistica be a complete discharge to my Executors."

Pecuniary Legacy

"I give the sum of £ pounds to Autistica (Charity Registration Number 1107350), of 7 Fairmile, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, RG9 2JR and the Receipt of the Honorary Treasurer or the proper officer for the time being of Autistica be a complete discharge to my Executors."

If you are thinking of leaving a gift in your will,
we would very much like the opportunity to discuss further.

Please would you either complete the contact form below and Philippa will get in touch.
Alternatively, you can contact her direct on **01189 016876** or at **philippa.stannard@autistica.org.uk**

Pledge form

I would like to remember Autistica in my will with:

A residuary legacy

A pecuniary legacy

A specific legacy

My name

My phone

My email

Please return to:

Philippa Stannard, Autistica, 7 Fairmile, Henley-on-Thames, RG9 2JR