

## **Include Us in Your Will**

If you are considering a bequest to the synagogue, there are several possibilities: a cash bequest, a gift of property, a share of the residue of your estate or the remainder of a trust after the lifetime of a family member. The following language may be helpful to your attorney in facilitating your bequest to the synagogue.

You may be able to direct your attorney to prepare a codicil, or amendment, to your existing will. It is usually not necessary to revise the entire document. To provide for the synagogue through a will, the following sample language is recommended.

If you have included us in your will, please let us know. Contact our executive director at [Don@bnaisholom.org](mailto:Don@bnaisholom.org) or 516 764 4100.

### **Specific Bequest:**

"I give, devise and bequeath [insert the sum or description of the property] to Congregation B'Nai Sholom Beth David of Rockville Centre, Inc. of 100 Hempstead Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570."

### **Residuary Bequest:**

"I give, devise and bequeath to Congregation B'Nai Sholom Beth David of Rockville Centre, Inc. of 100 Hempstead Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 all [or a portion - for example fifty percent] of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate."

### **Contingent Bequest:**

"In the event that [insert name of primary beneficiary] shall not survive me, or shall die within ninety (90) days from the date of my death, then I give, devise and bequeath all of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate to Congregation B'Nai Sholom Beth David of Rockville Centre, Inc. of 100 Hempstead Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570."

The above samples of bequest provisions are designed to provide unrestricted gifts to the synagogue, to be used wherever the need is greatest. However, you may prefer to restrict your bequest for a specific purpose or program, such as the Jewish Learning Center, the maintenance of the sanctuary or other purposes.

Also, you may choose to establish an endowed fund through your bequest. Because only the interest income from the fund is used, your gift insures that the important role the synagogue plays in the Jewish life of the residents of the south shore of Long Island will continue today as well as in the future. An endowed fund may be named after yourself or your family, your parents, or other individuals you wish to honor.

Individuals who are considering a bequest to the synagogue are encouraged to contact the synagogue's office to ensure that the synagogue is able to conform to any specific desires or requests that may be included in the bequest.

