

BASS Care operates a number of services:

- ◆ Two aged care facilities – Faversham House and Hamer Court Hostel
- ◆ Seventy eight Independent Living Units in four different locations across Canterbury and Surrey Hills
- ◆ Two large kitchens at Conochie Hall & Faversham House, Canterbury, providing over 236,000 meals each year, including the majority of Meals on Wheels services throughout the area and to community dining facilities in Canterbury, North Balwyn and Balwyn.
- ◆ Maranoa House Dementia Day Centre in Canterbury
- ◆ A senior citizens club in North Balwyn
- ◆ The Marwal Centre in North Balwyn
- ◆ A variety of social support services and day activity programs
- ◆ Conochie Hall, available to the community for hire and catering

Staff & Volunteers...

Volunteers are an integral part of the organisation, working side by side with paid staff to ensure a quality service to the frail, aged and disabled in the community. There are over 180 permanent and casual staff employed by BASS Care, ably supported in their work by more than 200 volunteers.



BASS Care (Boroondara Aged Services Society) is a proudly independent not for profit organisation providing a range of services to the local community since 1956.

The Society is one of the largest providers of social support services within the City of Boroondara. BASS Care's services are accessible by all, irrespective of their financial, religious or cultural status.

Our services assist clients to maintain independence and achieve a greater quality of life.



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Embracing Community Care



Bequests A lasting contribution

When you make a bequest to BASS Care, you make a gift that lasts longer than a lifetime.

As a not for profit aged care provider, BASS Care depends on the generosity of the community to help run and maintain our residential and community care programs so that the lives of the older people we care for are enriched. It is only with this community support that we are able to continue our mission of care.



Leaving a Bequest

A lasting contribution

A bequest is a gift left in a Will. When you make a bequest to BASS Care, you make a gift that lasts longer than a lifetime. It is a lasting contribution to enable BASS Care to continue our community service work and make a real difference. A bequest provides a gift for the future and will assist in our planning for the accommodation, care and well being of elderly residents. Your bequest, however big or small, is greatly appreciated and valued by BASS Care.

Why make a Will ?

Almost half of all Australians die without leaving a Will. If you die without leaving a Will,

you have no control over what happens with your Estate and this could lead to legal complications. Making a Will is an important part of planning for the future of your family and will give you peace of mind that your wishes and general affairs are taken care of.

If you already have a Will, you may want to conduct a review as your particular circumstances may have changed and you may want to make sure the Will continues to reflect your wishes.

Making a codicil (an amendment)

The main benefit of making a codicil to your Will is that you can make minor changes to your Will without having to make an entirely new Will.

For example, you may decide to make an additional legacy to a person or a charity.

Issues to raise with your solicitor

Whether you intend to make a new Will or a minor amendment via a codicil, it is advisable to seek qualified legal advice to prepare the document and ensure that your wishes are correctly recorded. Your legal practitioner can advise you on taxation implications, trusts, guardians, asset valuations and power of attorney.

Your Gift

Naming Boroondara Aged Services Society (BASS Care) in your Will is a very simple but greatly appreciated way of remembering your association with our organisation. The form of wording is important and you may like to show the following examples to your legal practitioner when you include BASS Care in your Will.

"I give the sum of \$..... free of all duties and testamentary expenses to Boroondara Aged Services Society for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of the Honorary Treasurer or other proper officer of Boroondara Aged Services Society shall be sufficient discharge to my executors of this bequest."

Or, you may wish to leave what remains of your Estate (the residuary estate) after specific gifts have been made to your family, friends and loved ones.

"I give the rest and residue of my estate to Boroondara Aged Services Society for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of the Honorary Treasurer or other proper officer of Boroondara Aged Services Society shall be sufficient discharge to my executors of this bequest."

Please let us know your plans

If you are planning to leave a gift to BASS Care in your Will, please let us know so we can thank you and acknowledge you on behalf of the many lives you will change.

To find out more

If you would like to know more about BASS Care or becoming a bequestor, please call our CEO, David Cotter, on (03) 8809 4915, mobile 0409 235 407, or email d.cotter@basscare.org.au. Alternatively, you can download a Bequest Intention Form from our website www.basscare.org.au.