



By including The Cradle in your will, known as a bequest, you make a powerful statement about the kind of world you want to leave behind. Your gift may be a specific dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or the remainder after all other provisions are met.

Below is suggested language to use when drafting your bequest:

## Sample Language

**Percentage Bequest:** "I hereby give \_\_\_\_\_ percent (\_\_\_%) of my total estate to The Cradle Foundation, an Illinois nonprofit corporation at 2049 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201, Federal Tax ID #45-0506764."

**Specific Bequest:** "I hereby give \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_/100 dollars (\$\_\_\_\_) to The Cradle Foundation, an Illinois nonprofit corporation at 2049 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201, Federal Tax ID #45-0506764."

**Residual Bequest:** "I hereby give \_\_\_\_\_ percent (\_\_\_%) of the residual of my estate to The Cradle Foundation, an Illinois nonprofit corporation at 2049 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201, Federal Tax ID #45-0506764."

### Then, choose from the following:

1. This gift is unrestricted and shall be used for the benefit of The Cradle at the direction of the board of directors of the Cradle Foundation.
2. This gift shall be used for the benefit of \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., Nursery/Infant Care, Expectant Parent Services, Post-Adoption Support Services, Adoption-Competent Therapy, African American Adoption Program)
3. This gift shall be used for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., Annual Fund, Endowment).

**Disclaimer:** The material presented here is not offered as legal or tax advice. We urge you to seek the advice of your attorney, tax advisor, and/or financial advisor to make certain your gift fits in with your individual circumstances.