

## A lasting impact



# Dear Global Neighbour,

Last year I saw for myself the significant impact leaving a legacy to Signpost International makes to our mission and to the communities we walk alongside throughout the world. We were informed that a legacy had been left to Signpost by an individual who had sadly passed away. He had previously shared with his minister that he wanted to leave a legacy to Signpost in order that we could continue our work. I was incredibly moved to know that this individual wanted to make a lasting impact and help people across the globe. The legacy that he left to us has transformed many lives throughout the world and has been used in all four areas of our work: Hunger and Nutrition, WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene), Sustainable Livelihoods and Global Citizenship. This one legacy has done so many things for so many people around the world: it has provided clean running water to communities who were without, it has allowed children to spend

more time in school, it has challenged food insecurity throughout the world, it has supported farmers to become productive food producers, it has provided opportunities, and it has taught the next generation. This one legacy from one individual has turned lives around. Over the page you will be able to learn more of the lasting impact a legacy can make. As you read I would ask you to consider if you too could leave a legacy to Signpost International and transform the lives of many throughout the world. We want to keep walking alongside disadvantaged communities supporting them to be drivers of their own change and with your lasting impact we can keep doing this.



**We are extremely thankful  
for your support.**

**Jamie Morrison**  
**Chief Executive Officer**



# Leaving a legacy to Signpost International

If you would like to leave a legacy to Signpost International all you need to do is give your solicitor our registered charity number and registered address, and they will take care of everything else for you.

**Signpost International registered charity number:**  
**OSCR: SCO50147**

**Signpost International registered address:**  
**The Roundhouse, Lothian Crescent, Dundee, DD4 0HU**

You do not need a solicitor to write a will but a solicitor can offer legal advice and ensure your will is valid and that your wishes will be met. You can also use a will writer or online will provider. If you live in Scotland and are going to use a solicitor for your will we would ask you to consider doing this through Will Relief Scotland (information about Will Relief Scotland can be found on the back page).

If you have already made a will but would now like to leave a legacy to Signpost International you do not need to make a new will all you need to do is complete a codicil form and store it with your will. You can find a codicil form along with this leaflet.

There are different types of legacies that you can leave to Signpost International:

**A residuary legacy** This is a share of your estate and is a percentage of what remains of your estate after all other gifts and expenses have been paid.

**A pecuniary legacy** This is a gift of a set amount.

**A specific legacy** This is a specific asset such as property, antique, artwork, or shares. The value of this gift will be deducted from your estate before inheritance tax is applied.

If you would like to leave a legacy to Signpost International we recommend you discuss this with your solicitor and inform your family of your wishes.





# Leaving a legacy to Signpost International will leave a lasting impact and transform lives around the world



## A legacy can provide clean running water

Clean running water is something that we often take for granted but for almost one third of the world's population (2.2 billion people) this remains a dream. We believe every man, woman and child, should have access to safe and affordable drinking water. We therefore aim to install or repair water sources to provide clean and safe water in the communities we work in throughout the world. Once a safe water source is installed many aspects of life are impacted, fewer people are sick and less household income has to be spent on medication, it also results in fewer deaths.







## A legacy can allow children to spend more time in school

Without access to a safe local water source young girls usually need to walk many miles a day to collect water for them and their family. Once a safe local water source is installed the time girls used to spend collecting water can instead be spent learning in school, amounting to over 260 hours a year. We aim to remove all barriers to children's education including lack of access to toilet facilities and feminine hygiene solutions. By doing this girl's absences due to menstruation reduce and incidences of diarrhoea decrease meaning children are able to spend more time in class.



## A legacy can challenge food insecurity throughout the world

Nobody should suffer hunger and so we strive to eliminate it from the communities in which we work. In Scotland we do this through the Community Kitchen which sees surplus food from supermarkets and restaurants used to produce healthy and nutritionally-balanced meals. These meals are then distributed to foodbanks and community larders across Dundee to those in need. In Uganda only 1 in 3 children have food to eat during the school day, we therefore work alongside local communities to create school gardens which gives students and teachers the ability to grow their own food for lunchtime meals.







## A legacy can support farmers to become productive food producers

We want to enable farmers to become more productive food producers therefore we create farmer training programmes which teach improved sustainable methods and management of natural resources. Contextually-based programmes increase crop yields while reducing post-harvest losses (it is not uncommon for farmers to lose up to 40% of their crop through poor practices). This means farmers increase their income while their families improve their health and nutrition; children can attend school and can focus on a full stomach. As programmes develop farmers can begin collective marketing of their goods through a cooperative – increasing their ability to earn a decent living.



## A legacy can provide opportunities

Everyone has dreams but not everyone has opportunities to realise them. We believe that every individual, especially those who are most vulnerable, should have the opportunity to be able to earn an income and work in order to improve their situation in life, and realise their dreams. Individuals wishing to start their own business can receive training where they learn to create, develop, and sustain their enterprise. When one person is trained and equipped to start their own business, they are not only able to provide for their family, but they can begin to start saving some of their income.





## A legacy can teach the next generation

Through our Centre for Global Learning in Dundee we teach the next generation how to stand up and participate in the fight against poverty. Immersive teaching approaches educate individuals about the complexities of poverty as well as their responsibilities as citizens of the UK and the world. In the communities we work in overseas we teach young people about their rights as children and as citizens. They learn how to protect themselves from different forms of abuse and how to report incidents when they occur. Further, health and hygiene training among young people has a marked improvement on educational attainment.

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## Will Relief Scotland

Signpost International is part of Will Relief Scotland which takes place every September.

Will Relief offers you the chance to have your will drawn up professionally by participating Scottish solicitors who have agreed to provide their time and expertise free of charge.

Instead of paying for your will you will be asked to make a donation to Will Relief Scotland, a group of four Scottish charities working with people from some of the world's poorest communities.

There are several firms of solicitors who take part in Will Relief all year long and offer their will services virtually, meaning you are not limited to September and you can make or alter your will without having to leave your home.

Visit [www.willreliefscotland.co.uk](http://www.willreliefscotland.co.uk) for participating solicitors or call 01349 830777.



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