

## Sample Language

The following language may help you and your attorney when drawing up a bequest that meets your needs.

### **General bequest**

If you intend to leave an outright gift of cash, securities or other property by designating a specific dollar amount, a particular asset or a fixed percentage of your estate to Science Central to be used for general purposes:

“After taking care of all expenses, debts and other provisions, I give, devise and bequeath \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the rest and residue [or \$\_\_\_\_ if a specific amount] to Science Central [TAX ID# 31-1032583] located at 1950 N. Clinton St, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46805.”

### **Specific bequest**

If you intend to leave an outright bequest for a specific purpose, such as a specific educational program or exhibit maintenance:

“I, [name], of [city, state, zip], give, devise and bequeath to Science Central [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its charitable purposes, including but not limited to \_\_\_\_\_ use and purpose.”

### **Contingency bequest**

If you wish to make a contingency gift so that Science Central will receive a portion of your estate if your named beneficiary does not survive you:

“If any of the beneficiaries named in this will should die before becoming entitled to receive their distributive share of my estate, I direct my trustee to pay or transfer the share to which such beneficiary would otherwise be entitled, to Science Central for its unrestricted use and purpose.”

If at any point in time and for any reason, you wish to make changes to include Science Central in your will, you can easily amend it by using a codicil. A Codicil is a document your attorney can prepare to amend your will or trust without rewriting the entire document. The codicil adds a new gift to Science Central while reaffirming the other terms of your will.

**Please consult with your tax advisor and lawyer to determine which planned gift strategy is best for you.**