



**Every animal in science
deserves a future.
So does your legacy.**

Leaving a gift in your Will to NZAVS



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Leaving a legacy gift can make a real difference for animals in need

For decades, science has leaned on animal testing out of habit, not necessity. The New Zealand Anti-Vivisection Society is committed to a future beyond harmful animal experimentation, one where New Zealand chooses **kinder, animal-free and human-relevant science**.

We work to end harmful animal use in science and education by changing systems, funding animal-free research, and advancing kinder education, because scientific progress should never come at the cost of animal suffering, and human-relevant methods deliver better outcomes for all.

A gift in your Will becomes part of that story. It can fund the researchers building that future, the campaigns pushing for it, and the students learning to see science differently.

Your legacy is one of compassion and positive changes for animals, people and science.



Fighting for animals in science since 1978

For more than 45 years, NZAVS has worked across New Zealand to protect animals and promote more ethical, effective science. Together, with the **support of compassionate people like you**, we have achieved lasting change for animals.

Because you stood with us, together we have:

- Secured a historic, **permanent ban on cosmetic animal testing** in New Zealand.
- Won **vital legal protections** preventing animal testing for recreational psychoactive substances ('legal highs').
- Established **New Zealand's very first animal-free research fund**, the W.E. Bradshaw University Innovation Grant.
- Secured commitments to end the use of the **Forced Swim Test**, a controversial experiment on rats and mice.
- Successfully **removed the Draize Test requirement from New Zealand law**, ending a requirement for animal-based eye and skin irritation testing, typically on rabbits.

Today we are **continuing that impact**, pushing for strong protections through advocacy, funding the animal-free research that will replace outdated methods, and reaching the next generation through humane science education in schools.



Legacy in action

A gift that is changing science

W.E. Bradshaw was a supporter who loved animals deeply and believed in a future free from animal experimentation. Their quiet decision to leave a gift in **their Will is the reason NZAVS is able to fund New Zealand's first grant dedicated to replacing the use of animals in research**, the W.E. Bradshaw University Innovation Grant.

That gift didn't end when it was received. Its impact continues today, supporting researchers who are saving animals' lives and **creating lasting change** across universities in New Zealand.

Through the Grant, we are not just advocating for change, we are helping make it happen, proving to universities and government alike that **a kinder approach is also a better one.**

Every gift, no matter how big, or small, becomes a part of this story. Together, we can build a more humane future for animals and a brighter future for science.





We all want to make a difference. Having seen how effective a legacy can be with the NZAVS W. E. Bradshaw Grant, I've taken the simple step of including NZAVS among the charities included in my Will. This is a logical extension to a longstanding affection for animals, volunteer work and a frustration with only being able to donate small amounts in the here and now.

- John Ransley

How to remember NZAVS in your Will

Making or changing your Will is simpler than you might think. We recommend seeking independent legal advice when preparing or updating your Will.

1

Decide what you'd like to give

You can leave a percentage of your estate (a residuary gift), a fixed amount (a pecuniary gift) or specific items and assets.

2

Include our charity details

Use our registered name, address and charity number, so your gift reaches us as exactly as you intend.

3

Consult a solicitor or use a free Will-writing service

Have your Will drawn up or updated by a solicitor, or use a trusted free online Will writing service.

4

Tell your family and executor

Sharing your wishes with those close to you makes sure your intentions are clearly understood and honoured.

The details you'll need



Our registered details:

Legal name: The New Zealand Anti-Vivisection Society Incorporated, also known as NZAVS.

Charity registration number: CC58881

Suggested wording you can include:



"I leave to The New Zealand Anti-Vivisection Society Incorporated: (Description of assets, amount, or proportion of estate or residue) absolutely for the general purposes of the said society and I direct that the receipt of the treasurer or other duly authorised officer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors."

NZAVS has partnered with EveryWill to make it easy to **create your Will online, completely free of charge**. It's a simple way to plan for the future while also providing the option to leave a lasting gift to NZAVS and help create a kinder future for animals.

Having an up-to-date Will is one of the most meaningful ways to care for your loved ones and **ensure the causes you care about continue to make a difference**.

The process is **fast, free, and easy**. It takes as little as 10 minutes to complete, costs nothing, and once you're finished, you simply print and sign your Will.

EveryWill is New Zealand's and Australia's top-rated online Will-writing platform, trusted by thousands of people to create legally valid Wills with confidence.

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Can we help?

Get in touch

Leaving a gift to NZAVS in your Will is a big decision, and we understand you'll want to take your time to think it through and share your thoughts with your family.

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