Sample Gift Language for your Will

**Residual Gift Language**

A residual bequest comes to us after your estate expenses and specific bequests are paid:

*I give, bequeath and devise all (or ____ percent) of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate to Medaille College, a corporation of the State of New York, located in Buffalo, New York the general and educational purposes of the college.*

**Specific Gift Language**

Naming Medaille College as a beneficiary of a specific amount and purpose, such as a scholarship or specific program, from your estate is easy:

*I give, bequeath, and devise to Medaille College, a corporation of the State of New York, located in Buffalo, New York the sum of $_______ , (or, ____ percent of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate) to be used to support ______________ (name of program or academic area). In the event the need to support ______________ no longer exists, The Board of Trustees shall be and hereby are authorized to use this bequest for a purpose in keeping with the spirit of this gift in the best interest of the College.*

**Contingent Gift Language**

Medaille College can be named as a contingent beneficiary in your will or personal trust if one or more of your specific bequests cannot be fulfilled:

*If (insert name) is not living at the time of my demise, I give and devise to Medaille College located in Buffalo, NY, the sum of $_______ (or all or a percentage of the residue of my estate) to be used for its general support (or for the support of a specific fund or program).*

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