

cataracts, glaucoma, blindness, scoliosis of the spine, arthritis, fragile bones, weak muscles, seizures, epilepsy, kidney wasting and autism

Lowe Syndrome Trust Gift in Will



The Lowe Syndrome Trust is a UK Charity founded in June 2000 by parents of a Lowe Syndrome child to help raise funds for medical research in the hope of better treatments and eventually a cure for this tragic and under-researched disease. Prior to this there was no UK charity for the disease or support for families.

Lowe Syndrome affects boys and can occur with no family history. Sadly the life expectancy for these children is short due to the complications of the disease and the lack of funding to find a cure. But you can help families stay strong and hopeful by helping fund our groundbreaking research.

The people who leave us a legacy gift believe in a future where Lowe children and families don't have to swim against the current, where the fear of what tomorrow might bring is replaced by present joy and peace.

Any gift, no matter how large or small makes a lasting difference. Rest assured that whatever gift you leave will be used wisely and effectively. Can you help us to pave the way for Lowe children to live longer, happier, healthier lives?

Why is your legacy so important to Lowe families?

The Lowe Syndrome affects children with multiple physical and mental handicaps including cataracts in both eyes, muscles weakness, kidney problems, brittle bones, internal and external cysts, arthritis, scoliosis of the spine, poor growth, mental impairment with behaviour problems (autistic spectrum disorder) and epilepsy.

Living with this disease is an on-going battle which your gift can and will help fight against.

You can read some quotations by Lowe families we currently support:

"I love my son more than anything in the world, but I can honestly say I absolute hate this syndrome with everything in me. It is very ruthless and seems so cruel.

We just take things one day at a time..."

"I hope someday that Christopher will be able to do all of the things that he wants to do"

"Everything in our boys' lives is so special. I now know that before Russell was born I took a lot of things for granted. Now every little accomplishment that Russell does is a very big thing"

"These boys have so much fight in them, more than they are given credit for"

Gifts in Wills help fund our research

"The Lowe Syndrome Trust has made an enormous contribution since it was founded by Lorraine and Andrew Thomas in 2000; it has not only raised awareness of Lowe syndrome, an often devastating rare inherited disease, and provided support and information for patients and their families, but it has also been a very strong impetus to research into Lowe syndrome, and other rare related inherited disorders, both in its funding of research and in encouraging wider international research collaborations. The many doctors and scientists involved with Lowe syndrome are very grateful to the Lowe Syndrome Trust and its supporters for their continuing support."

"Funds from the Lowe Syndrome Trust have made all the difference to our knowledge of this rare but devastating disease. We have discovered that the disease affects the way cells grow in contact with their neighbours. Our discovery will test how to reverse the effects of Lowe Syndrome, which will underpin the future development of drugs"

Professor Robert Unwin Chair, Lowe Scientific Advisory Board University College Hospital Royal Free Hospital

How to leave a legacy gift in your Will

If you don't yet have a Will, this advice can help you in the process of making one. If you already have a Will, you can find out how you could update it to include a gift to The Lowe Syndrome Trust.

3 simple steps to making or amending your Will

- 1.
- Start thinking about what you have your estate and assets and who you'd like to be your executor.
- 2.

Choose who you will remember in your Will, including family, friends and the causes you care about.

3.

Decide who will write your Will. We recommend using a solicitor or Will-writing professional to make sure everything is legal and valid.

Contact the Lowe Syndrome Trust to discuss further lowetrust@gmail.com and 020 7794 8858 www.lowetrust.com

