

The purpose of this form is to give you the required information for your legal documents to leave a legacy gift to the permanent endowment of Auroville International USA (AVI USA). This information is provided to assist you and your legal, accounting and financial advisors in defining the details of your charitable giving. It is not intended to take the place of legal, accounting or tax advice. Please consult with your attorney, accountant and/or financial advisor to answer any financial or legal questions.

Because we make charitable grants outside of the United States, AVI USA is considered a "Friends of" charitable organization. As such we must comply with specific IRS guidelines. One such guideline requires that AVI USA retain discretion and control over all donated funds to foreign charities. We can accept recommendations from legacy donors who want to support a specific project, and we do always honor those recommendations whenever it's legally possible. But we cannot accept legacy donations to our permanent endowment that are exclusively designated for a foreign entity. Because your bequest is a part of a legal document, it's important that it not contain restricting language.

If you have in mind a specific project that you would like your donation to support, please send a separate letter to info@aviusa.org with that information. The AVI USA board will always try to align allocations with donor intent as long as the project is in good standing and able to apply funds for charitable purposes.

Please include in the letter the following statement which will allow us to honor your intentions to the best of our ability while remaining compliant with IRS requirements:

"In the unlikely event the purpose of this bequest is no longer necessary or desirable for the furtherance of the charitable and educational purposes of Auroville International USA at the time of my estate's maturity or at any time thereafter, then I expressly authorize the Board of Directors of Auroville International USA to utilize the funds for any purpose that may be deemed proper in their discretion, keeping in mind, however, the above described purpose. This fund for the purpose of investment may be combined with other funds of Auroville International USA."

On the following page you will find a fillable form with some language that you can include with your legal documents. The language on this form was developed to comply with AVI USA's obligations to the IRS, and to ensure that the organization is able to receive your generous donation and put it to use in the way that you intend.



## BEQUEST FORM AVI USA Permanent Endowment

Always consult a professional advisor or attorney when making or revising your will.

I,\_\_\_\_\_, give, devise, and bequeath \_\_\_\_\_

(Describe dollar amount, property to be given, or proportion of your residuary estate) to Auroville International USA, incorporated in Sacramento California, Tax ID 23-7360183, for its permanent endowment

I acknowledge and agree that Auroville International USA is the recipient of this donation and has full discretion and control over all donated funds.

Legal Name: Auroville International USA

Address: Auroville International USA

PO Box 188158 Sacramento, CA 95818

**Federal Tax ID:** 23-7360183

Please contact us with any Questions

Email: info@aviusa.org

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