ENDOWMENT

Your gift can grow and benefit the community forever.

GIVE TO THE FUTURE. By creating an endowed fund with the community foundation, you can invest in the future of a favorite charity, interest area or the community.

HOW IT WORKS:

- Choose to endow your gift to the community foundation.
- The principal of your fund is invested, and it can grow over time to generate an increasing stream of funding devoted to your favorite charity or charities, an interest area and/or the community.
- Earnings are used to make grants. Your gift—and all future income from your gift—is a permanent source of funding that makes good works possible, forever.

A lasting contribution

A quarter century ago, Paul Cesarz made a choice that continues to benefit his community today. He created an endowed fund with a $100,000 charitable gift. The fund immediately began to grow and distribute grants to causes important to him. Because Paul chose to endow his gift, more than $175,000 in grants and services have been given back to his community—the Cesarz Fund continues to grow, too. And though Paul has passed away, the fund in his name will leave a lasting legacy.

Note: Endowed funds may be established with a gift of $10,000 or more.
YOUR LEGACY OF GIVING. When you choose to endow your gift, you have the opportunity to make a difference during your lifetime and, at the same time, provide for the organization, area of interest or community you care about, for generations to come. As needs, opportunities and the nonprofit organizations that address them change over time, your wishes are preserved, and grants continue to make life better in the name of the fund you established.

A NONPROFIT’S SOURCE OF STABILITY. Leaders of a nonprofit organization may also look to the community foundation to hold their organization’s endowment because they know that having a constant source of funding helps them respond to emergency needs as well as plan for the future and sustain the good work they do.

TOGETHER FOR GREATER ADVANTAGE. Endowed gifts are pooled with others to achieve maximum investment efficiency and returns with guidance from experienced local leaders and expert investment managers.

Ten reasons to give through your community foundation

1. We are a local organization with deep roots in the community.

2. We have broad expertise on community issues and needs.

3. We provide highly personalized service tailored to your charitable and financial interests.

4. We help people invest in the causes they care about most.

5. We accept a wide variety of assets, and can facilitate even the most complex forms of giving.

6. We partner with professional advisors to create highly effective approaches to charitable giving.

7. We offer maximum tax advantage for most gifts under state and federal law.

8. We multiply the impact of gift dollars by pooling them with other gifts and grants.

9. We build endowment funds that benefit the community forever and help create personal legacies.

10. We are a community leader in the areas of charitable giving and endowments.