

FUND TYPES

OVERVIEW

MAXIMIZING IMPACT

At the Community Foundation, we know what it takes to make a difference. We have been around since 1924 and have seen our community grow and change significantly. It is with that expertise, combined with flexible and simple giving options, that we can help people to give back to our community.

We have a variety of options that can help you achieve your charitable goal. Funds can be established with the commitment to reach a minimum contribution level within five years. Although this minimum amount is required prior to initial spending and grant-making, contributions begin earning investment returns upon their receipt. Funds can receive tax-deductible contributions from both you and others who share your passion.

CHARITABLE GOAL:

"I want to support an emerging opportunity in the community."

FUND SOLUTION:

COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND

This flexible fund type supports a broad range of opportunity areas that are relevant to the changing needs of our community over time, producing positive, lasting change for Lancaster County.

CHARITABLE GOAL:

"I want to recommend the projects that are awarded grants from my fund."

FUND SOLUTION:

DONOR ADVISED FUND

Offers you the flexibility to recommend grants to qualified nonprofit organizations or charitable projects you care about. The fund can either be endowed or spent down (non-endowed) and replenished at any time. Also suitable for families or businesses.

CHARITABLE GOAL:

"My family wants to support a particular nonprofit—a cause we care deeply about."

FUND SOLUTION:

DESIGNATED FUND

Provides ongoing support to specific nonprofit organization(s). Have confidence in knowing that if a beneficiary should cease to exist in the future, income will be redirected a similar community nonprofit to ensure that your charitable goal continue to be met.

CHARITABLE GOAL:

"I want to give to a broad range of organizations in a particular area of interest."

FUND SOLUTION:

FIELD OF INTEREST FUND

These funds can support a broad area of interest, such as the environment, arts and culture, education, or a specific geographical region of the county. We award grants to organizations and programs that match your interest. These funds also respond to changing opportunities and needs within your area of interest.

CHARITABLE GOAL:

"I head up a community benefit organization and want to ensure we have ample funds to support our mission in the future."

FUND SOLUTION:

ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Community benefit organizations can establish a fund and a percentage is distributed annually to provide a source of ongoing support. The fund can grow over time through donations and reinvestment, and we handle the administration so that the organization can focus on meeting its mission for years to come.

CHARITABLE GOAL:

"We want to memorialize our son through a scholarship for students pursuing an English degree."

FUND SOLUTION:

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

These funds can benefit students at any educational level, geographical area, or discipline. We handle all the administration, including marketing and the application and award process.