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How does an Endowment Work? An Example

Angie and Anderson Jones make a gift of \$100,000 to establish an endowment at Catholic Charities. They chose to name it the Angie and Anderson Jones Family Endowment Fund. Through a Gift Use Agreement, the endowed gift was set up to support Catholic Charities' Family Assistance Program.

Their \$100,000 gift is invested along with the other endowed funds in Catholic Charities' endowment pool as the Angie and Anderson Jones Family Endowment Fund. Our investment portfolio is diversified to provide healthy long-term returns that should outperform the general market over time while minimizing losses during market downturns.

Each year, 4% of the value of the Fund is distributed to support the Family Assistance Program, and any investment income greater than 4% is reinvested into the Fund. This cycle continues in perpetuity, each year providing more funding for the Family Assistance Program, and growing the endowment.

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Endowments at Catholic Charities

An Investment in the Future



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Invest in Catholic Charities' Future with an Endowed Gift

Like all gifts to Catholic Charities, endowed gifts enable us to provide help and hope to people in need. Endowments are particularly powerful because they deliver a dependable, perpetual source of funding for Catholic Charities.

Your gift to establish an endowment is an investment in the future—one that makes an enduring difference in the lives of the most vulnerable in our community by supporting Catholic Charities' mission in perpetuity.



What is an Endowment?

Endowments are unique because the total amount of the initial gift is invested, and each year a percentage of the endowment's growth is distributed to Catholic Charities. The remainder is reinvested into the endowment ensuring growth and maintaining the fund's charitable impact far into the future.

In this respect, an endowment is intended to be a perpetual gift. Because of their permanence, endowments are one of the most impactful ways to give to Catholic Charities. Like any organization, Catholic Charities is subject to the volatility of the economy, and endowments help ensure that our care for the less fortunate continues even if other funding sources become less reliable.

How do I create my Endowment?

You can establish your endowment with a direct contribution of cash, securities, or real estate during your lifetime, a gift from your estate — or both. A minimum initial gift of \$10,000 is recommended, but you may start with a smaller amount and add to it over time.

Catholic Charities will work with you to draft a Gift Use Agreement so that your endowment can support the program or activity that you are most passionate about, or support Catholic Charities' unmet future needs. You can name the endowment for yourself, your family, your friend, your company — the choice is yours. These funds create a highly visible link between you and Catholic Charities and serve as a lasting tribute to the namesake.

Why should you contribute to an Endowment?

Provide support: A perpetual flow of annual gifts from an endowment will support the mission and work of Catholic Charities long into the future.

Promote stability: Every endowment strengthens Catholic Charities' financial base, helping us meet current and future obligations, attract new contributors and make capital improvements.

Produce a legacy: An endowment will outlive its original benefactors. It will be a timeless record for future generations of your values and your dedication to helping the less fortunate.



100 years from now, you can still be giving to Catholic Charities.

Create an endowment for Catholic Charities and you will create a personal legacy that endures forever. For more information on setting up your personal fund, please call 713.874.6624, email endowments@catholiccharities.org, or complete and return the form below:



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