

Creating a Charitable Fund

A charitable fund allows individuals, families, businesses, and organizations to support the causes they care about while creating a lasting impact in Fayette County.

Endowed Funds

Endowed funds are designed to be permanent. The principal remains invested, and distributions are made from investment earnings.

Unrestricted Fund - Supports emerging community needs and opportunities.

Field of Interest Fund - Supports a specific area such as education, healthy living, arts and culture, or community development.

Designated Fund - Provides ongoing support to one or more nonprofit organizations chosen by the donor.

Donor Advised Fund - Allows donors to recommend charitable distributions over time.

Organization Endowment - Provides long-term financial support for a nonprofit organization.

Scholarship Fund - Supports students pursuing educational opportunities.

Non-Endowed Funds

Non-endowed funds provide flexibility for current projects and immediate community needs.

Examples include:

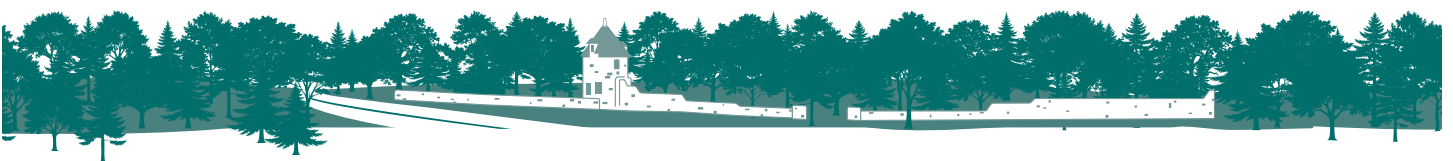
- Community Impact Funds
- Memorial Funds
- Honorary Funds
- Project-Based Funds
- Non-Endowed Scholarships

Build-A-Fund Option

Donors who wish to establish a permanent fund can build toward minimum funding levels over time.

Not Sure Which Fund Is Right?

Whether you want to support scholarships, honor a loved one, strengthen a community program, or leave a legacy for future generations, FCCF can help connect your charitable goals with local impact. We're happy to start with a conversation and explore the option that works best for you.



Fund Type	Purpose	Who Recommends Grants?	Minimum Opening Gift	Ideal For	Permanence
Community Impact Fund	Supports FCCF's broad community initiatives and future grantmaking priorities	FCCF Board	Low / Flexible	Families wanting ongoing involvement	Permanent or unrestricted
Donor Advised Fund	Donor recommends grants to charities over time	Donor	Higher minimum	Families wanting ongoing involvement	Typically permanent
Field of Interest Fund	Supports a specific cause (arts, education, health, recreation, etc.)	FCCF Board guided by donor intent	Moderate	Donors passionate about one issue	Long-term
Scholarship Fund	Supports student scholarships	FCCF Scholarship Committee	Moderate	Individual, family, or memorial scholarships	Long-term
Designated Fund	Supports named organizations	FCCF distributes to designated organizations	Moderate	Donors committed to specific nonprofits	Long-term
Memorial or Tribute Fund	Honors a loved one, family, or organization	Depends on fund structure	Flexible	Memorial giving	Flexible
Community Project Fund	Supports a specific local project or initiative	Project agreement	Flexible	Playgrounds, trails, community facilities	Project-based
Fiscal Agent/ Fiscal Sponsorship Fund	Holds funds on behalf of a community project	FCCF oversight	Project-specific	Emerging community projects	Temporary