



## DONOR RECOGNITION

### Endowment Society

The Endowment Society recognizes a special group of individuals, nonprofit organizations and businesses whose support strengthens our region now and forever. It honors donors who have established an endowed fund at the Quad Cities Community Foundation and have made gifts of \$10,000 or more to their fund during their lifetime.

Each endowment is an expression of the unique interests and concerns of its founder. Unrestricted endowments allow the Community Foundation flexibility to respond to changing community needs over time and into the future. Some are an expression of the founder's commitment to a particular cause—education, the environment, homelessness, and many more. And many endowments are important tributes or lasting memorials to loved ones. Every endowment is an integral piece of the regional philanthropic resource that is the Community Foundation and its Geographic Affiliate Funds. And each donor is making a difference in the lives of others today, and for generations to come.

Benefits of Endowment Society membership include:

- Members serve as an inspiration to others, demonstrating how to give back and make a difference in the lives of others for generations to come.
- Members have access to special invitation-only events, site visits and other opportunities for involvement and recognition in their communities, as arranged by Community Foundation staff.
- Members are recognized in print and electronic materials for their exemplary leadership in growing permanent resources to benefit the region.

### The Legacy Society

The Legacy Society recognizes and honors the generous donors who have included Community Foundation and its Geographic Affiliate Funds in their estate plans. Legacy Society members come from all walks of life and have committed their gifts to various charitable causes, but one thing is certain—they all look forward by giving back. These donors are envisioning a strong future for our community, and making that a reality through their generous planned and deferred gifts such as:

- Bequest through a will
- Beneficiary designation in a retirement plan, life insurance or a gift of life insurance
- Beneficiary designation for life insurance or a gift of life insurance
- Charitable lead and remainder trusts
- Charitable gift annuity

- Remainder interest in a home or farm
- Contingent beneficiary gift

The rewards of membership include achievement of personal, financial and estate planning goals, including tax savings, which are unique to these gift arrangements. Members are recognized in print and electronic materials for their visionary leadership in creating lasting legacies to benefit the generations to come in their community.

Members enjoy invitation - only special events, site visits and other opportunities for involvement and recognition in their communities, as arranged by Community Foundation staff. Some members of The Legacy Society are also members of The Endowment Society, because they established their endowed funds during their lifetime.

## The Benefactor Society

The Benefactor Society honors community members who have generously gifted \$50,000 or more to the Friends of the Foundation Endowed Fund, which supports the work of the Community Foundation every day. Our annual operations go far beyond simply making grants that advance charitable activities—we identify current and emerging issues, channel resources to address pressing needs and promising opportunities and help prepare for our region’s future. The Community Foundation serves as a catalyst to build, strengthen and foster positive change in the Quad Cities’ urban and rural settings through philanthropy that is visionary, diverse and inclusive. We convene charitably focused individuals, for-profit organizations and non-profit organizations to coordinate resources and create positive change in our communities.

Your generous gifts ensure that you are helping the Quad Cities Community Foundation facilitate and inspire philanthropy as the leading source for philanthropic vision in the Quad Cities region.

## Advisor Circle

Members of the Quad Cities Community Foundation Advisor Circle serve their clients through inspired legacy planning. Each member has assisted one or more donors to establish a gift of \$1 million or more at the Community Foundation to benefit our region.

**You are invited to include your name in our Endowment Society, Legacy Society and/or Benefactor Society, as public inspiration and encouragement for others to consider an endowment fund or planned gift to benefit the causes that they care about in the community.**

**You may also choose to make your Endowment Society and/or Legacy Society membership anonymous.**