

Frequently Asked Questions: Giving Options

Quick answers about your giving choices.

What is a Donor-Advised Fund (DAF)?

A DAF is an account you set up through a financial institution to manage your charitable giving. You make a contribution, receive a tax deduction right away, and then recommend grants to nonprofits whenever you choose.

Why would I use a DAF instead of donating directly?

Many donors prefer a DAF because it allows them to:

- Make larger charitable gifts in years when it benefits their taxes
- Support charities over time from one central account
- Give anonymously if they choose

How do I recommend a DAF gift to The LeMoyne Community Center?

Log in to your DAF provider's portal and search for:

The LeMoyne Community Center

Tax ID: 25-1215468

Most providers will send the grant directly to us.

What are the advantages of giving stock instead of cash?

When you donate appreciated stock that you've held for more than a year, you may:

- Avoid capital gains taxes
- Deduct the full fair market value of the stock
- Potentially give more without increasing your out-of-pocket cost

What is an endowment gift?

An endowment gift is invested permanently, and only the annual earnings are used to support programs. This means your contribution creates **ongoing** support year after year.

How is an endowment gift different from a regular donation?

A regular donation is used right away to support current needs.

An endowment gift provides **long-term stability**, ensuring programs like Homework & More and Camp Challenge remain funded for future generations.

What is considered a legacy gift?

A legacy gift is any charitable contribution arranged now that is fulfilled later. Examples include:

- Leaving a gift in your will
- Naming The LeMoyne Community Center as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy
- Designating us as a beneficiary of a retirement plan (IRA, 401(k), etc.)

Do I need an attorney to include LeMoyne in my estate plans?

While not required, most donors work with an attorney or financial planner to ensure their wishes are documented correctly.

Can my family be recognized if we make a planned or endowment gift?

Yes — we would be honored to recognize your generosity, unless you prefer to remain anonymous.

What are the tax benefits of giving to LeMoyne's endowments?

There is a federal tax deduction for charitable contributions to our endowments.