



CFGC

Donor Advised Funds

Give the Way You Want to Give

Through a Donor Advised Fund, a wide range of assets can be given—from property to stock, real estate, closely held shares, LLPs, or LLC interests. As the fund holder, your client recommend grants to qualified charities and then our administrative staff handles all of the details.

A Donor Advised Fund (DAF) is a highly personalized, incredibly flexible mini-foundation, managed under our expert guidance. The fund may be named after donors, in honor or memory of someone they love, or after a cause that is important to them. Grants may be given to any qualified charity here in Chattanooga or anywhere in the United States.

“We now have peace of mind, knowing that the Community Foundation staff, with their knowledge, expertise and responsible stewardship, will maximize our gifts in the relief of suffering and restoration of hope.”

– Drs. Chung and Ruth Liu
CFGF Donors

Start a Fund Today

A DAF is easy to start—with a gift, or assets, or by converting a private family foundation. We'll work with you to navigate any complexities and create the fund that best suits your priorities.

When donors create a DAF at the Community Foundation, they join a larger collective of generous individuals and companies committed to making a difference in our city. We can connect your clients to peers who share their interests and passions and leverage their gifts with others to have an even greater impact in the community.



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Key Benefits

As one of the largest grantmaking foundations in the region, and an expert in community knowledge, we can share with you our professional insight into particular causes or organizations. We will research charitable opportunities that fit your client's interests and solicit proposals on their behalf.

- Access to expert Foundation staff to discuss grants and their impacts, as well as potential future grants.
- Educational sessions with other DAF advisors.
- Updates on the impacts of donor funds and personalized giving opportunities.
- A succession plan: exploring how future generations can become advisors to the fund, creating a legacy of philanthropy.
- Fund supervision by a dedicated team who cares deeply for the interests and priorities of our donors.

Simplicity

One gift, one receipt. The Community Foundation issues a gift acknowledgment to donors for tax purposes. We keep up to date records of all gifts made to their fund and by their fund and provide quarterly updates or per request. Having us take care of all the paperwork, frees donors up to focus on their philanthropic vision.

Sustainability

By setting fund growth as a priority in accordance with the foundation's spending policy, your client can provide for the long-term sustainability of their fund and philanthropic vision. Additionally, our staff can work with donors to create a planned giving vehicle that meets their needs and ensures the longevity of the causes they care about.

Legacy

Donors can create DAFs for individual children, family, or friends—or for a group of them, and they will be able to suggest grants to charities. Donors can even name a donor advised fund at the Community Foundation as the beneficiary of a retirement account, will or Charitable Remainder or Lead Trust, to create a legacy of giving.

About CFGC

For 60 years, the Community Foundation of Greater Chattanooga (CFGC) has served as the region's primary public foundation. Stewarding over \$210 million in assets, CFGC is leading with love to build a legacy that lasts, offer guidance in philanthropy to donors and people working in the field, and invest in community leaders. We transform generosity into impact by working with donors, non-profits, and the broader community to realize a Chattanooga that works for everyone.

We Are Here to Help

Learn more about the Community Foundation of Greater Chattanooga and Donor Advised Funds by visiting us online at cfgc.org or in person at 1400 Williams Street, Chattanooga, TN 37408. Please contact our President, Maeghan Jones, at mjones@cfgc.org or by calling at (423) 265-0586.

