



NEW CANAAN
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

Build a Legacy

Legacy donors share a commitment to leaving a charitable legacy. By naming the Foundation in your estate plan, you ensure that your name will forever be connected to the causes you care about.

The Community Foundation recognizes individuals who leave a lasting philanthropic contribution.

Legacy funds can be earmarked for unrestricted use to meet the changing needs of the community or designated to support a specific cause or charity.

Why Choose Us?

When you choose to invest in the future of our community, you want to work with an organization with experience. Our professional staff are available for advice on the local nonprofit community as well as regional or national organizations.

We are available to meet with you and your advisors to develop a giving plan to achieve your personal goals.



A bequest gift offers these benefits:

- ***Simplicity***
A few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed.
- ***Control***
You and your family make the decisions about your charitable legacy.
- ***Flexibility***
Because you are not actually making a gift until after your lifetime, you can change your mind at any time.
- ***Versatility***
You can structure the bequest to leave a specific item or amount of money, or leave a percentage of your estate.
- ***Tax Benefits***
If your estate is subject to estate tax, your gift is entitled to an estate tax charitable deduction for the gift's full value.

What do I do now?

Contact us and we can help you shape a philanthropic legacy to meet your charitable goals.

A Lasting Impact

The Foundation offers a simple and effective way for you to include the nonprofits you care about in your estate plans. Too often, these thoughtful gifts go unrecognized because they come at the end of a donor's life.

We would like to acknowledge your contribution to the future—today.

How Does it Work?

Your gift can be made as a percentage of your estate. Or you can make a specific bequest by giving a certain amount of cash, securities or property. After your lifetime, the Community Foundation receives your gift. We will implement and safeguard your charitable legacy.

Why do Individuals Choose to Build a Legacy at the Community Foundation?

- To make a lasting impact in our community by creating a charitable fund in the donor's name; it generates charitable gifts to your favorite charities now and in the future.
- Creating a charitable fund is a simple, cost-efficient and flexible alternative to the expense, administrative burdens and restrictions of a private foundation.
- Including your children and grandchildren in charitable giving decision making teaches family members about your charitable values and about community responsibility.
- To take advantage of tax benefits when making charitable gifts with appreciated assets rather than with cash. By contributing appreciated assets, donors minimize income, and estate and capital gains taxes, thereby benefiting their favorite charities rather than the IRS.
- To gift a single asset for the benefit of more than one charity.
- Providing an endowment for the future of one or more of your favorite charities generates a stream of income to support the organization(s) beyond your lifetime.

We offer valuable insight that can help your charitable giving achieve maximum results.