

Designated Funds

Ongoing support for your favorite nonprofits.

A designated fund at Austin Community Foundation is a simple and reliable way to direct your charitable giving to your favorite nonprofit organizations now and for years to come. You choose the nonprofit(s), timing, and purpose of your giving—ACF handles the administration, investment management, and grant distributions. The organizations you care about receive consistent support, and you gain a simple, strategic way to give.

KEY BENEFITS



Tax-smart giving: Receive an immediate charitable deduction for eligible gifts, contribute a range of assets, including cash, appreciated stock, and other complex assets—such as Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs).



Flexible strategy: Support the organizations you choose over time, whether you want to spend down your fund gradually or build a lasting legacy.



Professionally managed: Benefit from professional investment oversight, streamlined scheduled grant distributions, and a trusted local partner providing best-in-class management.

WHY AUSTIN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION?

You care deeply about your community—and so do we. As your trusted partner in philanthropy, ACF provides expert stewardship, personalized service, and a long-term commitment to Central Texas.

No matter how you want to give back, we can help you turn your generosity into a force for good.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Start the conversation by contacting Chelsie Chavez, Fund Services Manager, at cchavez@austincf.org or 512.220.1414.

See more details on the other side of this sheet.

CASE STUDY

In 1994, Georgia B. Lucas established a designated fund at ACF to provide ongoing support to the nonprofits that were most meaningful to her. Decades later, these organizations continue to receive support year after year, ensuring her generosity lives on long after her lifetime.

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FEES THAT SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY

Unlike other institutions, fees at ACF are reinvested into the community and support our ability to develop innovative solutions to the challenges we face here in Central Texas.

TYPE OF FUND	ENDOWED & QUASI-ENDOWED	NON-ENDOWED
Administrative fees	Up to \$1 million – 1.00% Next \$2 million – 0.75% Next \$7 million – 0.50% Next \$10 million – 0.25% Over \$20 million – 0.10% Minimum Annual Fee: \$250	Below \$1 million – 1.50% Above \$1 million – 1.00% Annual maintenance fee: \$100
Investment fees	Average 0.10-0.70% depending on investment option. Fee includes investment counsel.	Fees are assessed on deposits monthly.
Fund minimum	\$5,000	\$5,000

Additional fees apply for gifts made with credit card.

The spending policy for endowed funds provides a maximum amount available for granting and is calculated as 4% of the average trailing 20 quarters of the fund's market value.