

# Fund Types



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When you create an endowment fund with Vancouver Foundation, you can choose the level of involvement you would like when it comes to making grants. You can make recommendations for which agencies you would like to support, or you can leave the decisions to experts from the community who have a broader understanding of what projects need support or will have the most impact.

Here are the different fund types you can choose from:

## 1. Community Impact Fund

This unique fund type allows you to direct your gift to meet the most pressing needs of the community and support innovative projects. Vancouver Foundation works closely with volunteer community advisors, who are experts in their field and aware of emerging trends and needs in an area. Creating a Community Impact Fund assures you that your gift will be used effectively and make an impact in the community.

## 2. Field of Interest Fund

This type of fund allows you to grant to one or more of the Foundation's nine fields of interest. Instead of naming specific organizations to receive grants, you instead indicate the field(s) of interest you wish to support with your fund. The advisory committee members, all experts in the field, will evaluate proposals and distribute grants on your behalf to effectively address community needs.

Choose from our 9 fields of interest:

- Animal Welfare
- Arts and Culture
- Children, Youth and Families
- Education
- Environment
- Health and Social Development
- Health and Medical Research
- Youth Homelessness
- Youth Philanthropy

## 3. Donor Advised Fund

This fund type gives you the flexibility to make adjustments to your grantmaking should your charitable interests change. One year you can recommend a grant to one area of interest or non-profit organization, and the following year you can switch to another area of need or organization. Our professional staff can work with you to identify potential grants, and you can have as little or as much involvement as you want in the disbursement of your funds.

In addition we can set up funds that are for the sole benefit of one particular charity. These fund types can be set up by the charity itself (Agency Fund) or by an individual donor (Designated Fund). For more information please contact us.

## Creating a Fund

The minimum gift to establish your own endowment fund is \$10,000, although we also offer the opportunity to individual donors to establish an endowment fund over time.

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