



ENDOWMENT

A legacy of giving.

WHAT IS ENDOWMENT?

When you create a charitable fund through your community foundation, you have the opportunity to benefit the community forever with a permanent endowment.

- **Invested over time.** Earnings from your fund are used to make grants to meet community needs. Your gift—and all future earnings from your gift—is a permanent source of community capital, helping do good work today and in the future.
- **Legacy and stability.** Donors who endow their gifts can make a difference in their community during their lifetime and, at the same time, provide a gift that lasts forever. Grants will continue to be made in the name of the fund you establish so that your charitable wishes are preserved, even if an organization receiving grants ceases to exist in the future.
- **Expert help.** When donors or nonprofit organizations work through the community foundation to achieve their charitable goals, they benefit from the expertise of experienced local program staff, community leadership, and investment management.

Actual growth of endowment funds

