



OUR MISSION

Recognized since 1994 as a 501 (c)(3) organization by the IRS, the Grays Harbor Community Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality of life for residents throughout Grays Harbor County. We achieve our goals through building permanent endowment funds and using the income to support community needs.

JOIN US

Join us in strengthening the greater Grays Harbor community today. GHCF will keep your charitable investment working in Grays Harbor. Remember, there may be present as well as future tax benefits associated with a gift to the community through the Foundation. Many people find great satisfaction in seeing their gift going to work during their lifetime. Create a legacy by making life in Grays Harbor richer.



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INVESTING IN GRAYS HARBOR'S FUTURE



What is the Grays Harbor Community Foundation?

Established in 1994, the Grays Harbor Community Foundation pools separate, locally controlled funds to enhance the quality of life in Grays Harbor County. By pooling these funds, the Foundation serves individuals, companies and organizations in better managing and directing charitable giving on the Harbor.

What kind of Funds does the Foundation oversee?

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS allow the Foundation the greatest flexibility to devote resources to Grays Harbor's most pressing community needs.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS may be established by individuals, nonprofits, or businesses to commemorate an individual, support a particular school or field of study.

DONOR ADVISED FUNDS ensure donors active roles in determining how and where fund income is directed. Donors make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding the Foundation's charitable contributions.

DESIGNATED FUNDS allow donors to name one or more charitable organizations as the exclusive recipients of fund income.

AGENCY FUNDS are for nonprofits to set up or set aside funds for the future. If the nonprofit has funds that are specified for a capital improvement project, for example, and that project is to begin three years in the future, they may set aside and protect funds to grow and be added to as fundraising develops the resources. They may also set aside funds for future operations.

What types of gifts can I make to the GHCF?

➤ Cash, Securities and Real Estate

You can make contributions of cash, securities and real estate or other items of value to the fund on a one time or periodic basis. Gifts of appreciated stocks and bonds can often provide you significant tax advantages.

➤ Life Insurance

You can make a gift to the Foundation of an existing life insurance policy or purchase another with the GHCF as the principal beneficiary.

➤ Will

You can make a bequest to the Foundation through your will, providing a specified gift to the Foundation.

“I chose to leave a lasting legacy with the Foundation to ensure my children's children will experience the same great Grays Harbor that I grew up in and hold so dear to my heart.”

What are the benefits to donors who give to GHCF?

- ✓ **Choice:** You may choose the purpose for which funds are to be used, or may entrust that decision to the Foundation.
- ✓ **Permanence:** Since the Foundation emphasizes investment of principal and the distribution of income as grants, your gift will continue giving to the community in perpetuity.
- ✓ **Tax Advantages:** As a tax-exempt charitable organization, the GHCF offers you maximum tax deductibility on all gifts and bequests.
- ✓ **Recognition or Anonymity:** You may establish a fund in the name of an individual, family, corporation or organization or you may remain anonymous.
- ✓ **Security and Accountability:** You are assured of careful stewardship and management of the fund through the GHCF's professional management.

