

Oktahoma City Community Foundation\_



## What is the Oklahoma City Community Foundation?

The Board of Trustees and staff of the Oklahoma City Community Foundation administer endowment funds that have supported charitable causes in central Oklahoma since 1969. An endowment fund provides

annual income through investment earnings.

The Community Foundation owes its beginning to John Kirkpatrick and a group of other prominent Oklahoma City citizens, who recognized the need for a steady and permanent source of income for non-profit agencies. To realize this goal, they created an entity patterned after the most successful community foundations in the nation. In the words of its first annual report, the Oklahoma City Community Foundation was "designed to meet the test of time."

Today, with permanent assets that top \$65 million, we are the 25th largest of 300 community foundations in the United States, providing ongoing financial support to more than 200 charitable organizations.

A nine-member Board of Trustees representing a broad range of groups in the community oversees the distribution of endowment earnings. Officers from four local banks comprise the Fiscal Committee, which manages the Community Foundation's assets.

Since 1969, the people of Oklahoma City have grown in their awareness of the need for a long term approach to financial management in the non-profit sector. The Oklahoma City Community Foundation has grown because of this awareness. We stand ready to continue to match donors' desires with community needs.



## How to Establish a fund

The Oklahoma City Community Foundation would not exist without donors. Assets, once contributed, must become a permanent part of its endowment. However, the Community Foundation is firmly committed to recognizing and preserving the original charitable intentions of all donors.

At the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, small donor contributions receive the same investment return, for the same minimal administrative cost, as large donor contributions. While donations of all sizes are welcome, a Donor Fund is established when total contributions reach \$1,000. A Name Fund is created when total contributions reach \$5,000.

Donations can be made by an individual or a group. They may be made in many forms – cash, marketable securities, life insurance, oil and gas royalties, real estate, and life income trusts.

Donors may advise the Oklahoma City Community Foundation on how they wish the earnings from their donations to be distributed. Some of the ways for donors to direct earnings are:

Fund for Oklahoma City: Funds which are unrestricted but enable the Trustees to respond to the changing needs of Oklahoma City.

Designated Endowments: Funds benefiting specific charitable organizations.

Field of Interest Giving: Funds benefiting types of charities such as youth or health groups.

Donor-Advised Giving: Funds allowing the donor to make annual recommendations about earnings distributions.

Scholarships: Funds supporting students in higher education and other areas of study.

Affiliated Funds: Customized management of large charitable funds and non-profit endowment funds.

Whatever way you choose, by contributing to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, you can be sure that the community will continue to be served by your charitable interests. We welcome a chance to visit with you.









## One Donors Story... Margaret Hunis Boys

She loved Oklahoma, the state where she was born. Her career spanned 42 years as a teacher and principal in Oklahoma City Public Schools. She never married, had many friends but no known heirs. When she died in 1990, she left her estate to be held in trust by the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. Her will stated that the earnings be used for beautification of the city's parks and medians. The Community Foundation has appointed a committee which considers grant requests from community groups who seek assistance for the beautification projects. Margaret Boys' legacy will have a permanent impact on her community.