

## Why Give

We believe that philanthropy is unique and personal. We remain focused on, and committed to, listening, learning, and partnering with current and prospective donors, fund advisors, and professional advisors to match intent and ensure that each experience is meaningful and impactful. Giving through the Foundation doesn't have to be complicated, nor does it require great wealth. A gift of any size is a valuable contribution that will help make positive, lasting change in Northern Ottawa County.

## Where to Give

You may give to an existing fund, establish a new fund, establish a recurring gift, leave a bequest and/or give to our greatest needs.

By giving to the Greatest Needs Fund, you enable the Foundation to address our community's most pressing needs and promising opportunities, both now and for generations to come, through competitive grants to local, for-impact partners.

If you're inclined to help the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation with the purchase and necessary renovations to our new building,


please consider giving to the GHACF 6 Sherman Fund. This will allow the Foundation to expand and continue meeting the community's needs as they evolve over time.

## What to Give

We facilitate a variety of gifts including cash, stocks, bonds, and mutual funds; closely held stock; real estate; 401K and IRA accounts; life insurance policies; and bequests.

## How to Give

To make a one-time or recurring gift, you may:

- **Give online at:** [ghacf.org/donate](http://ghacf.org/donate) 
- **Mail a check to:** Grand Haven Area Community Foundation at 6 Sherman Ave., Grand Haven, MI 49417

To transfer funds electronically, donate appreciated stock, or arrange for a planned gift, please contact Chris Riker, VP of Advancement & Donor Services or Patty MacDonald, VP of Finance & Administration, for questions or transfer instructions.

All donations are eligible for Federal Income Tax charitable deduction as allowed by charitable tax law. Please consult with your professional advisor with questions regarding a charitable gift.

### Types of Funds

\$5,000 minimum to open all funds, except Scholarship funds, which require \$25,000.

### Greatest Needs Funds

Enable the GHACF to remain proactive, responsive, and flexible to our community's most critical needs.

### Field of Interest Funds

Connect personal values to high-impact opportunities. Allow individuals to target gifts addressing area needs.

### Donor & Corporate Advised Funds

Allow an individual, family, or company to establish a charitable fund. Recommend grants for staff to administer.

### Organizational Funds

Provide income streams to support programs and operations at for-impact organizations.

### Designated Funds

Support the mission of 501(c)3 organizations by designating them as beneficiaries of the fund.

### Community Service Funds

Enable collective giving to a singular fund that supports a community project. Typically open 1-3 years.

### Scholarship Funds

Invest in the next generation with post-secondary education assistance. Build a foundation for a brighter tomorrow.