



Memorial Philanthropic Fund

Honoring the Memory of a Loved One with a Philanthropic Fund

Losing a loved one is an emotional and challenging experience. Many seek ways to honor their memory and ensure their legacy endures. Establishing a memorial philanthropic fund is a meaningful and impactful way to realize the traditional Jewish expression of condolence “May their memory be for a blessing.”

What is a Philanthropic Fund?

A philanthropic fund is an account established to support charitable causes. By setting up a fund at DJCF in memory of your loved one, you can channel resources into causes they were passionate about during their lifetime, ensuring their values and vision continue to thrive.

How to Get Started

1. Define the Purpose

Determine the specific causes or organizations your loved one cared about. This could include Jewish values, education, healthcare, environmental conservation, arts and culture, social justice, or other meaningful areas, ensuring alignment with their individual values and teachings.

Benefits of a Philanthropic Fund

Lasting Tribute:

- Create a perpetual memorial that honors your loved one’s passions and values expressed during their lifetime

Positive Impact:

- Direct resources to causes that align with your loved one’s interests
- Making a significant difference in the community
- Fulfilling the mitzvah of tzedakah

Engagement & Involvement:

- Encouraging family and friends to contribute and stay involved
- Fostering a sense of unity and purpose, from generation to generation

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2. Choose the Type of Fund

Select the structure that best suits your needs:

- **Donor-Advised Fund:** Allows you to recommend grants over time, providing flexibility in supporting various causes.
- **Designated Fund:** Directs resources to specific charities, ensuring consistent support.
- **Field of Interest Fund:** Supports a general area of interest, allowing grants to multiple organizations within that field.
- **Scholarship Fund:** Provides financial support to students, honoring your loved one's commitment to education, an alma mater, or a specific field of study.
- **Endowment Fund:** Provides financial support to nonprofit organizations or areas of interest, in perpetuity.

3. Establish the Fund

Partner with the Dallas Jewish Community Foundation to set up the fund. They will handle administrative tasks, ensuring compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. Memorial funds can be established in less than 24 hours, providing families grieving a loss with responsive, personalized and empathetic support.

Getting Started

Ready to create a lasting tribute to your loved one? Contact DJCF today to begin the process of establishing a philanthropic fund that will make a lasting impact and honor their memory in a meaningful way.

Since our founding in 1973, DJCF is proud to serve as a resource for individuals and families, non-profit organizations and professional advisors interested in creative and customized solutions designed to maximize charitable giving.

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4. Contribute to the Fund

Make an initial donation and invite family, friends, and the community to contribute. Consider organizing fundraisers or events to increase awareness and gather support.

Ways to Contribute

- **Monetary Donations:** Direct financial contributions are the most straightforward way to support the fund. DJCF can provide a link for giving which can be included in memorial service and shiva notices for contributions.
- **Planned Giving:** Include the fund in your estate planning through wills, trusts, or life insurance policies.

5. Ongoing Fund Administration

DJCF offers a variety of investment options to choose from, and will lead day-to-day administration of the fund, ensuring it grows and continues to support the chosen causes. Depending on the fund type, you may have the option to designate advisors with authority to recommend grants from the fund or have DJCF manage the entire process from start to finish.

