

Distributing Your Charitable Gifts



community foundation
Holland/Zeeland Area

At the Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area,
we help you carry out your charitable goals, even when you're no longer here.

Carrying Out Your Charitable Giving

We can disburse your estate's charitable gifts in a lump sum to any number of nonprofit organizations. You may also perpetuate your yearly giving after you're gone with annual distributions to your favorite charities, payable over a number of years.

Either way, it's a simple two-step process with distinct benefits for you, the executor of your estate, and your recipient nonprofits.

Two simple steps:

1. Designate the Community Foundation as the recipient of your estate's charitable funds.
2. Using a form we provide, specify your recipient nonprofits and the time frame in which you'd like us to disburse funds to each.

Benefits of working with CFHZ:

- Change your charitable distributions as often as needed without returning to your attorney to rewrite or amend your will or trust. Simply submit a new form to the Community Foundation reflecting your current directives.
- Make charitable distribution from your estate easier for your executor. One check from your estate, payable to the Community Foundation, triggers your predetermined charitable plan.
- Wary of giving a windfall to specified nonprofits? Instruct us to release funds to them over a number of years.
- Should one of your specified nonprofits cease to exist, we follow your predetermined directions to apply that allocation elsewhere.
- We honor your gifts to any 501(c)(3) nonprofit in good standing, including non-local and religious organizations.