

Annual Fund

Your gifts underwrite our work in the community every day. The Annual Fund backs our community service and grantmaking processes.

Recognition

All donors who make a gift of \$1,000 or more to endowment, the Annual Fund, or the W-JCC Scholarship Fund will become members of the Chairman's Circle for that year.

We also recognize cumulative giving to honor those donors who have consistently given to and through the Foundation throughout our history.

Mission

The Williamsburg Community Foundation connects people who care with causes that matter in our community... forever. We pursue this mission by:

- Building permanent, flexible endowment funds that respond to emerging and changing community needs;
- Providing effective stewardship of charitable funds;
- Advising donors with varied interests to help them achieve their philanthropic goals; and
- Serving as a resource, catalyst, and coordinator for charitable activities



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Join **VISION 2020:**
Together, We Will Continue
to Enrich Our Community

By supporting the Williamsburg Community Foundation, you are providing for the future of our community and creating a lasting resource for generations to come.

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The Greater Williamsburg Community Trust (DBA Williamsburg Community Foundation) is a tax exempt public charity under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code.



Your Donation Makes a Huge Impact

Unlike other groups that have a single purpose, your Community Foundation focuses on all areas of community life from our rivers and greenspaces, to our artistic and cultural programs, to enhancing the quality of life for our oldest and youngest citizens. Your Community Foundation exists because of contributions from local citizens. When you join us in supporting our community, we will keep Williamsburg a vibrant home for generations to come.

In order to advance our vision for a more dynamic Williamsburg, six new funds have been created within our Community Endowment that will give you the flexibility to endow those areas that interest you most and increase WCF's grant and scholarship support to a new level.

It is not enough merely to create a vehicle for giving. In order to engage residents, WCF created VISION 2020, an initiative to build these funds so that each will provide grants every year to help local nonprofits and students.

Every gift counts!
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In recent years, WCF and its generous donors have been able to fund approximately 35% of the grant amounts requested annually. This number has remained relatively consistent. As grant dollars have increased, so have the needs. Our senior citizen population has grown exponentially, as have the number of children in our schools who speak a foreign language at home. There are more stoplights, more stores, and just more people living in the same space.

Many of these unfunded projects are missed opportunities that could have helped more people. Growth and change are inevitable in greater Williamsburg, but together, we can preserve the quality of life for area citizens.

The **VISION 2020** initiative provides options for giving today and in the future that will have an impact on greater Williamsburg forever.

Community Endowment & Area Funds

Your gift in any amount to the Community Endowment supports grants across a broad range of needs in our community.



Area Funds



ARTS AND CULTURE: Your gift underwrites performing arts programs, fine and visual art exhibits, or public art. Grants from this fund increase access to the arts for local citizens and assist arts organizations in building their capacity to serve our community.



CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS: Your gift helps children and young adults achieve their potential. Grants from this fund support early childhood development; after-school and summer enrichment programs; educational and therapeutic programs to enrich the quality of life for children and young adults with special needs; educational programs and job training for young adults; and protecting children from abuse and neglect.



ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION: Your gift finances environment and conservation objectives. Grants awarded will support educating the public about our environmental resources, preservation and conservation of natural resources, recreational and therapeutic use of our natural resources, and engaging local residents with our key physical resources.



HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS: Your gift improves the quality of life for lower income residents; provides educational and therapeutic programs that enable adults with low literacy and special needs to more fully participate in community life; helps provide healthy meals, housing, and transportation; and supports programs for veterans and their families.



SENIOR SERVICES: Your gift sustains programs and services that help older adults stay informed, healthy, and engaged; programs that increase the capacity of local organizations to support senior citizens who wish to age in place; and offers respite care or support groups for families of those that require home care services.



SCHOLARSHIP: Your gift provides scholarships for graduating high school seniors from Williamsburg-James City County Schools.

Leave a Legacy

If you wish to leave a legacy for our community through your will or trust, we can help. The Foundation accepts a variety of different types of assets and also holds endowments for other local nonprofit organizations. Through WCF you may leave a gift to support your favorite cause, a number of individual charities, or the community at large.

Your Named Fund

You may establish your personal named fund within the Community Endowment or in an area of interest that fulfills your goals. Named fund minimums start at \$10,000.

Donor-Advised and Other Funds

In addition to the focus areas, you may choose to establish a fund to support your philanthropic interests in a variety of ways. For more information about establishing a donor-advised or designated (agency support) fund, contact the Foundation at office@williamsburgcommunityfoundation.org or 757-259-1660.