

# ENDOWED FUNDS



Assist deserving students. Enhance educational programs. Enrich the University community.

**Establishing an endowed fund is a wonderful way to partner with Messiah University and create an enduring legacy.** These funds provide for:

- Student scholarships
- Endowed chairs
- Service or mission opportunities
- Faculty/student research projects
- Other special initiatives

## PERPETUAL

Only the fund's income or a certain percentage of its value may be distributed each year for its designated purpose. Because principal is not spent, students will benefit from your prudent planning and generosity for generations to come.

## PREDICTABLE

Each year, endowed funds supply consistent income to help fund Messiah University's various programs. This regularly enables the University to plan more strategically for the future.

## PROTECTED

Donor endowed funds at Messiah University are set aside and kept separate from operating and

capital fund accounts. Once you enter into an Endowed Fund Agreement, you can be sure that your endowed fund will be secure and that the terms will be carefully followed.

## PERSONAL

Endowed funds are often named for the person or family who establishes the fund, or for someone they wish to honor or memorialize. In addition, you may tailor the purpose of your endowed fund to benefit a specific area of interest. Donors also enjoy opportunities to correspond and meet with the student or students who benefit from their endowed fund.



# HOW TO FUND YOUR ENDOWMENT

## FUND IT NOW

You may establish an endowed fund now through gifts of cash or securities. This option will enable you to enjoy watching your fund grow and benefit current Messiah University students. A minimum contribution of \$25,000 is required to establish an endowed fund.

## FUND IT LATER

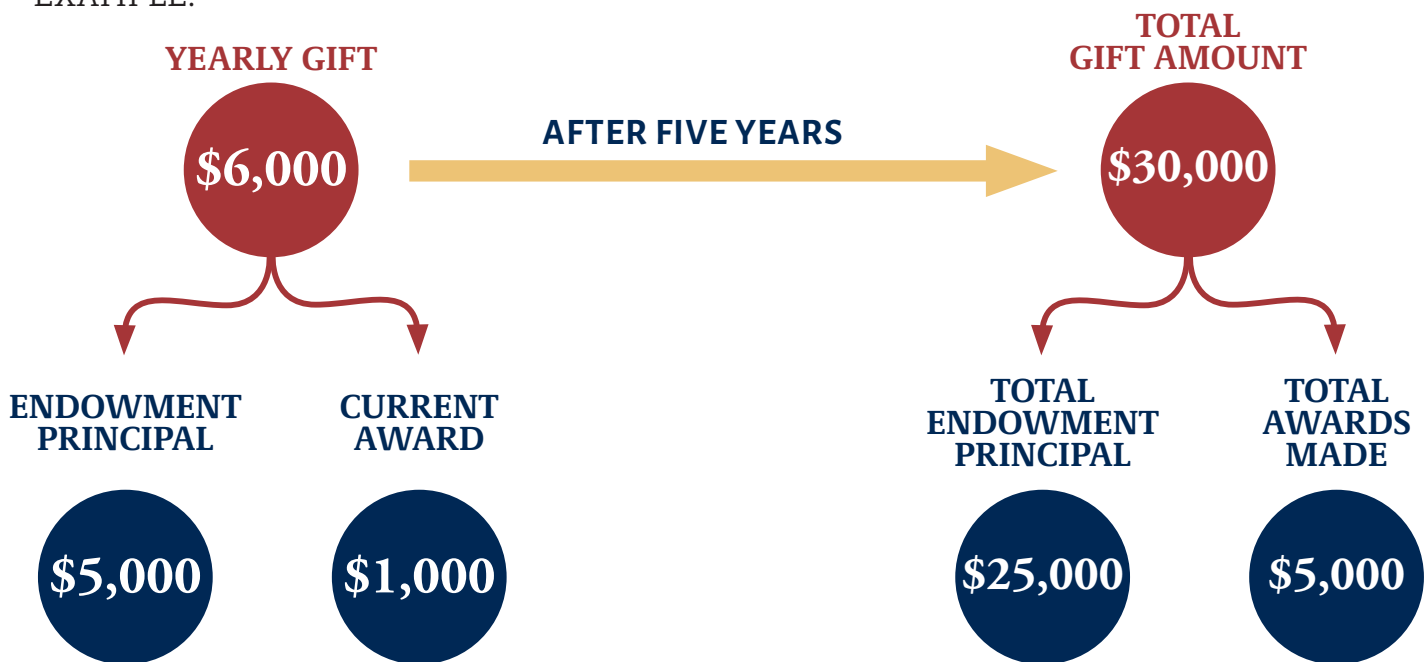
If it is not feasible to start an endowed fund now, you may wish to consider these possibilities:

- Make a bequest from your will
- Establish a charitable gift annuity
- Form a charitable trust
- Designate Messiah University as a beneficiary of IRAs or insurance policies

## FUND IT NOW AND LATER

You may want to fund your endowment over a period of years and still benefit current students. In this case, your yearly contribution will be split between endowment principal and a current award. For example, if you make a yearly gift of \$6,000, \$5,000 could go to principal and \$1,000 could serve as a current award. **At the end of year five, the fund would be fully endowed.**

EXAMPLE:



*A variation of this award option would be to make arrangements through your estate to establish an endowed fund while also funding current awards.*

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