



Investment Advisor Program

Keep your own investment advisor, and partner with us to give.

Through our Investment Advisor Program, a donor may set up a new fund at the Community Foundation and work with their personal investment advisor on a customized investment approach. The donor benefits from our program expertise in reaching their philanthropic goals, while the advisor continues to represent their client in managing charitable assets.

Customization at this level could include both traditional asset classes and, in some circumstances, alternative investments. Assets continue to be held at the investment advisor's institution, while ownership of the assets transfers to Fairfield County's Community Foundation.

Fees

Fairfield County's Community Foundation collects the following administrative fees for administrative services including, but not limited to, professional advice and consultation regarding grantmaking, strategic philanthropic planning, in-depth knowledge of local charities, and access to online fund information including grant processing and fund statements.

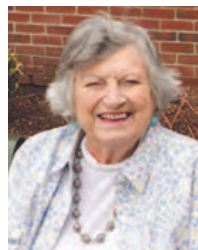
- 1.0% on the initial \$1 million in assets**
- 0.9% on incremental assets from \$1 to 1.99 million**
- 0.8% on incremental assets from \$2 to 2.99 million**
- Fee assessment decreases for funds \$3M+**
- .10% fee discount for permanent funds**

Minimum annual fee: \$1,000
Minimum grant amount: \$500

The fee for investment services will be negotiated by the Community Foundation and the donor's investment advisor, and will be disclosed to the donor when the fund agreement is executed. All fees are charged at the fund level.

Individually managed accounts with balances below \$250,000 will be transferred to the Community Foundation's investment pool.

The Community Foundation's Investment Committee must approve the advisor selection and proposed investment strategy, working together to establish an asset allocation that is appropriate to the grantmaking goals of the donor. Other policy guidelines are applicable.



"To feel completely comfortable with a financial partner is a great blessing. Fairfield County's Community Foundation has earned my trust again and again with their local expertise and spot-on counsel."

Eleanor Harrison Smith, Investment Advisor Program Fundholder

Ready to start the conversation?

For more information or to get started, contact Joseph Collin, Vice President of Philanthropy, at (203) 750-3211 or JCollin@FCCFoundation.org.