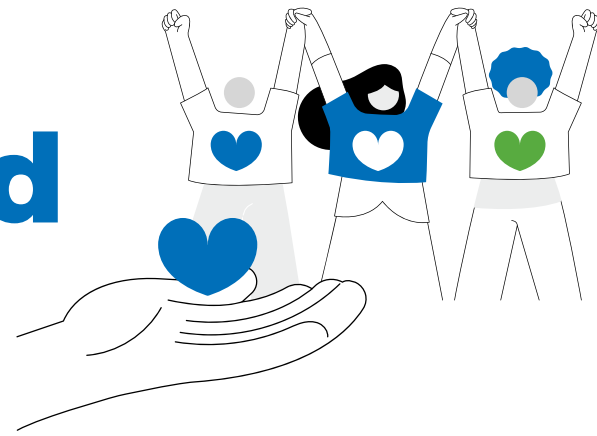


# Donor-Advised Funds



Picture a community where each member has a safe, affordable place to call home. All children have access to quality education. People of all backgrounds feel welcomed. Quality health care is available to everyone. You can help create that future through a donor-advised fund at Fairfield County's Community Foundation.

## What is a donor-advised fund (DAF)?

A donor-advised fund is a simple, flexible, and tax-friendly way to give to your favorite charities. Here's how it works:

- Establish a fund with an initial contribution.
- Get an immediate tax deduction.
- Managed by the Community Foundation, your fund will grow tax-free.
- You make recommendations for grants to your chosen charities whenever you want.

## It's easier than you might think to help your community to thrive.

A fund that supports local nonprofits tackling the issues most meaningful to you can be started with \$5,000 – and you can immediately begin making your impact on our community. When you give through a donor-advised fund at Fairfield County's Community Foundation, you join with other like-minded community members and have access to the knowledge of our team of local experts who can guide you on how to achieve your philanthropic goals.

## Is a DAF right for you?

A donor-advised fund is ideal for families and individuals who want to:

- Conveniently give to qualified nonprofits worldwide.
- Focus on giving while we take care of the administrative details.
- Make funding decisions independently or be supported by our team of local experts and national network of community foundation partners
- Make tax-advantaged charitable contributions of any amount to build your fund over time.
- Teach your children and grandchildren about giving back.
- Be acknowledged for your contributions or give anonymously.



**Lily Ann Marden**, Co-Founder The Julia Ghahramani Foundation  
*This donor-advised fund was established by her parents in memory of Julia, pictured here (center) with her siblings on her graduation day.*

*"We want to help other young people who are trying to change the world, and instill these ideals that a younger generation can help change the world for the better."*

## Experience the joy of giving

Let's talk about doing more with your philanthropy through a donor-advised fund. Contact Joseph Collin, Vice President of Philanthropy, at (203) 750-3211 or [JCollin@FCCFoundation.org](mailto:JCollin@FCCFoundation.org).