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**HELPING DONORS
MAKE A DIFFERENCE**
in South Mississippi



*Do you ever wonder how after-school
programs and playgrounds are funded?*

*Or who funds health clinics and food
pantries for those in need?*

*Or who provides workforce development
and scholarship opportunities to
promote education?*

*Or who promotes access to
the arts?*

Benefits of charitable giving

- *You can create, preserve or fund a special cause for the benefit of future generations.*
- *You can honor a loved one.*
- *You can give back to your community in your own designated way.*

Gulf Coast Community Foundation makes charitable giving easy and offers an alternative to starting a private foundation. A fund with the Community Foundation provides the tax advantages of a public charity and the support of a professionally trained staff to help you reach your charitable goals.

We accept gifts of all kinds

The Foundation accepts gifts of all kinds, including cash donations, real estate, stock and artwork. Donors can also defer giving and create a lasting legacy by making gifts through estate plans.

Ways to Give

- *Remember the Community Foundation in your will.*
- *Donate appreciated stock and/or real estate.*
- *Name the Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement fund or life insurance policy.*
- *Establish a charitable remainder trust or charitable lead trust to benefit your family and a charity.*

The Foundation is making a difference

Since 1989, the Gulf Coast Community Foundation has helped donors, organizations and leaders invest in meaningful ways and support charitable causes.

Managing Charitable Resources

The Foundation administers over 120 funds and \$20 million in assets.

Supporting Local Charities

Hundreds of charitable organizations and initiatives have received funding or technical support from the Foundation.

Providing Educational Opportunities

Each year, the Foundation funds over 200 scholarships and dozens of grants, supporting a variety of educational programs.

Responding to Disasters

Following Hurricane Katrina, the Foundation administered over \$50 million in grants to support recovery efforts. A few of our accomplishments include: the building of 17 Kaboom! Playgrounds, 12 community centers, 6 day care centers, 4 Boys & Girls Clubs and 187 homes.

Working with Regional and National Funders to Support Local Causes

After the BP oil spill, we worked with a national funder to administer \$4 million in grants to 29 nonprofit organizations. These funds helped local people impacted by the oil spill.

Create your own philanthropic legacy...

Donor Advised Funds

Wealthy families often face a myriad of charitable requests. A donor advised fund offers them the opportunity to remain involved, while the Foundation fields requests and handles administrative duties.

Designated Funds

A designated fund provides support to a designated charity or project selected by the donor. The Foundation administers the funds to maximize its impact and to ensure that all grants match the donor's intent.

Field of Interest Funds

Donors can create a field of interest fund to support a specific interest such as the arts, education or other cause that is meaningful to the donor. These funds allow the flexibility to respond to changing times and address pertinent community issues as they arise.

The Good Works Fund

This fund is perfect for people who just want to help the community, without having a specific cause in mind. We use these funds to address emerging community issues and unmet needs.



“My father was devoted to my sister, Dana, who is mentally and physically challenged and making sure that she understood she was a normal human being.... The Anthony Dartez Endowment fund is my family's way of perpetuating my father's memory and his dedication to assisting mentally and physically challenged citizens in our community.”

- Tiffany Dartez

Turn your passion into MEANINGFUL COMMUNITY CHANGE

“Community foundations are important because they have a local knowledge base and established relationships with key players within the community. These attributes allow community foundations the ability to identify unique opportunities that may not be clear from the outside.”

- James McClelland
Senior Philanthropic Advisor
Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors