

Well-managed charitable funds benefit our community now and in perpetuity. Donors start funds with a minimum gift of \$25,000 to benefit the causes that they choose. These funds are then invested, with a portion of the funds spent each year according to the spending policies that the donors choose at the time the funds are established.

Professional investment managers invest the Community Foundation's assets in accordance with the Community Foundation's investment policies. Investment performance is monitored and overseen by the Investment Committee, comprised of Community Foundation trustees and others with investment expertise. The Community Foundation's financial statements, including investments, contributions, and future interests, are audited annually by an independent auditor and are available for public review.

### Investment Options

Hundreds of named Community Foundation funds are invested as follows:

**THE GROWTH OPTION**

Growth to a certain benchmark defines this option. Almost the entire portfolio is held in equities. When the fund reaches the intended benchmark, it is transferred to another investment option to start awarding scholarships and/or grants.

**THE BALANCED GROWTH OPTION**

Growing the fund at an acceptable level of risk defines this option that is generally used for permanent funds. This portfolio has tiered investments, with the majority in equities and smaller amounts in other instruments.

**THE SUSTAINABLE FOCUS OPTION**

Invest the fund's assets in a way that promotes positive social and environmental outcomes. This portfolio invests in tiered investments, with the majority in equities and smaller amounts in other instruments, with investment decisions made with a sustainable focus.

**THE MAINTENANCE OF PRINCIPAL OPTION**

Preservation of principal is this option's only objective. This portfolio is held in money market accounts and certificates of deposit.

**THE ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT OPTION**

Donors establishing a fund with \$500,000 or more may recommend an investment manager and strategy, subject to the approval of the Community Foundation's Board of Trustees.

### Administrative Budget

Because 100 percent of every donation is placed into a charitable fund according to the donor's instructions, the Community Foundation meets its operational expenses through:

**THE ADMINISTRATIVE FUND**

This permanent fund was created in 1990 to support the Community Foundation's operations and community education activities.

**MANAGEMENT FEES**

An annual management fee is assessed on the market value of each component fund. Please see page 74, "Fund Types," for detailed information.

**THE WIDENING CIRCLES SOCIETY AND PARTNERS IN**

**PHILANTHROPY CAMPAIGN**

This annual campaign raises money specifically for the Community Foundation to invest in community outreach to promote philanthropy. Campaign donors become members of the Widening Circles Society and businesses and civic groups who donate become Partners in Philanthropy.

### Investment Managers

The Community Foundation worked with the following investment and financial managers in 2023–2024:

Accolade Partners	Constitution Capital	Intrinsic Edge Capital	Primis Bank
ACNB Bank	Partners LLC	Management LLC	Prudential
Auldbrass Partners	Crestline Offshore	JLL Income Property Trust	RBC Wealth Management
Artisan Partners	Associates, LTD	JP Morgan	Sandy Spring Bank
Base 10 Partners	Dodge & Cox	MacKay Shields	State Street Global Advisors
Management LLC	Eagle Capital Management	Maryland Financial Planners	StepStone Group
Bedrock Fund	The Family Heritage	Merrill Lynch	Valstone Partners, LLC
Management LLC	Trust Company	Morgan Stanley	Vanguard
BlackRock	First Eagle Investment	Morgan Stanley Private	Wasatch Global Investors
Boston Trust Walden	Management, Inc.	Wealth Management	Wells Fargo Advisors
Brown Advisory	First United Bank & Trust	Nuveen	William Blair
Brown Capital Management	Glouston Capital Partners LLC	Palisade Capital	WCM International
Calvert	Golub Capital	Management	Management
Cohen & Steers	Harbor Funds	Parnassus Investments	

Custodian: Wilmington Trust/M&T Bank

Consultant: Asset Strategy Consultants

**For more information about these investment managers, their rates of return or their fees, please contact the Community Foundation at 301.695.7660.**