Become a Partner in UMKC’s Future

Choosing the right planned gift depends on your personal circumstances and financial goals.

Popular Ways to Give

Wills & Living Trusts

A charitable gift through your will or living trust to the UMKC Foundation will ensure UMKC’s legacy. Bequests can be funded through cash, appreciated securities, real estate, tangible personal property, etc., and can either be expressed as a dollar amount or a percentage of the assets to be given. This type of gift allows you the flexibility to change your will in the event that life circumstances change. Bequests cost nothing to you during your lifetime, but will ensure our mission for years to come.

Beneficiary Designations

Are you passionate about supporting our mission even after your lifetime? An easy way to accomplish this is by naming the UMKC Foundation as a beneficiary to receive assets such as retirement plans or life insurance policies after you’re gone. This is an easy, flexible way to give that can be reviewed and adjusted any time you desire.

Gifts That Provide Income

Charitable Gift Annuities

Charitable Gift Annuities are gifts that provide you an additional income through life as regular guaranteed payments either immediately or deferred. They also offer an assortment of tax benefits such as a charitable income tax deduction based on the fair market value of the assets contributed minus the present value of the annuity interest retained. This type of gift allows you to have financial security while being philanthropic.

A deferred charitable gift annuity might be for you if don’t need the additional income at this time, are younger than 60 years of age, and are looking for relatively high tax deductions to offset current income plus have an additional source of income to supplement retirement.

Charitable Remainder Trusts

A charitable remainder trust has several benefits if you have an ample estate and would like to receive additional income. Benefits of a charitable remainder trust can include a partial charitable income tax deduction, potential for increased income, and up-front capital gains tax avoidance.

There are two ways to receive payments and each has its own benefits:

An **annuity trust** provides you a fixed income each year, based on the specified percentage of the initial value of assets to fund the trust. Your payments remain constant either through your lifetime or for a term period, regardless of market fluctuations in the trust investment.

A **unitrust** provides you a percentage of income each year, based on the annual fair market value of the principal. If the value of the trust increases, your income will increase. If the value of the trust decreases, your payments will decrease as well. This gift is the most flexible life income gift available, and can help you meet a variety of financial goals for yourself and your family.
More Ways to Give

**IRA Charitable Rollover**

An IRA Charitable Rollover is a type of gift that would be put to immediate use, so you can see the impact of your gift during your lifetime. If you are 70 ½ years old or older, then you qualify for taking advantage of this opportunity and receive tax benefits in return. You can give up to $100,000 from your IRA directly to a qualified charity, such as the UMKC Foundation, without having to pay income taxes on the gift. The transfer would not create taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your deductions. This type of gift cannot be deferred or implemented prior to the qualified age.

**Charitable Lead Trusts**

Charitable Lead Trusts offer tax savings benefits by supporting the UMKC Foundation, without giving up the assets you would like your family to receive someday. There are two ways charitable lead trusts make payments:

- **An annuity trust** pays a fixed amount each year to the UMKC Foundation and is more attractive when interest rates are low.

- **A unitrust** pays a variable amount each year to the UMKC Foundation, and is based on the annual fair market value of the assets in the trust. If the trust’s assets increase in value, the payments to the university increase as well.

**Donor Advised Funds**

Donor Advised Funds, which are similar to a charitable savings account, are an easy, cost-effective way to support our mission. You can transfer assets to a tax-exempt sponsoring organization and then recommend – not direct- how much you would like granted to charities such as the UMKC Foundation. You avoid the cost and complexities of managing a private foundation. In return, you receive an immediate federal income tax charitable deduction at the time you contribute to the account, and the authority to recommend which charities you would like to support.

**Real Estate**

The generous gift of real estate would help impact the mission of the UMKC Foundation benefiting the University of Missouri- Kansas City for years to come. If you have held appreciated property for longer than one year, you receive a federal income tax charitable deduction and avoid paying capital gains tax. The UMKC Foundation would then be responsible for that property’s maintenance costs, taxes, and insurance. There are many ways to give real estate. We would like to work with you and/or your legal advisor to discuss the different options available that would make sense for you.

**Memorial and Tribute Gifts**

If you have a loved one who has been impacted by the University of Missouri- Kansas City, you can honor their legacy by establishing a memorial or tribute gift. These types of gifts are a lasting tribute to your loved one and make a difference on the UMKC campus. Various assets can be used to establish a memorial gift.
Gifts of Securities

Your gift of appreciated stocks or mutual funds can provide significant support for an area of your choice at UMKC. Rather than selling your appreciated securities and donating the proceeds to the UMKC Foundation for benefit of UMKC, consider transferring your securities directly to the UMKC Foundation. This will likely increase your gift as you will not incur sales expenses, and your transfer will not generate a capital gains tax. To make your gift and ensure you receive proper acknowledgement and documentation, please contact the Office of Planned Giving for detailed instructions on transferring this type of asset.

Endowed Funds

An endowed fund will ensure your impact will influence generations to come. These funds are held in perpetuity and can support students, faculty, programs, research, etc. depending on your specifications. When you create an endowment, you may name it after yourself, or even in honor of someone.

The gift used to establish an endowment is invested and then generates a spendable income to the university to fulfill the donor’s intent. The objective is to generate as much spendable income as possible for the university’s benefits, while protecting the invested principal for future indefinite support.

To establish an endowment, a minimum gift of $25,000 is required. For an endowed professorship the minimum gift is $750,000 and an endowed chair minimum gift is $1,500,000.

Next Steps

1. Contact the UMKC Foundation at (816) 235-5778 or for additional information about including the UMKC Foundation in your estate plans.

2. Seek the counsel of your financial advisor or legal advisor.

3. If you decide to include the UMKC Foundation in your estate plans for the benefit of UMKC, then please use our legal name and federal tax id listed below.

   **Legal Name:** University of Missouri-Kansas City Foundation  
   **Address:** 202 Administrative Center  
   5115 Oak Street  
   Kansas City, MO 64112  
   **Federal Tax ID:** 26-0840496

Thank you for helping us plan our future.