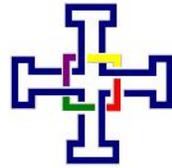


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## ENDOWMENT – PLANNED GIVING Q & A

### **WHAT IS THE ENDOWMENT FUND AND HOW IS IT DIFFERENT THAN STEWARDSHIP?**

The Stewardship Fund (and your annual pledge) allows the Vestry to budget for the coming year and provides for the day-to-day operations of the Parish. The Endowment Fund protects the future of St. Timothy's by providing for its needs beyond its day-to-day operations.

Legacy giving is an integral part of Christian stewardship. What we do with all that God has placed into our hands includes how we arrange for its distribution when our time on earth has come to an end.

### **I DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD AN “ENDOWMENT FUND / SOCIETY”**

Our Endowment Committee is dedicated to changing that! The Fund was established in 2001 and has a substantial balance, along with many bequests which will pass assets to the Parish when members pass.

### **WHATS THE EASIEST WAY FOR ME TO PARTICIPATE?**

Remembering St. Timothy's in your will or trust is the easiest and most common way to leave a personal legacy gift to the church. However, there are other ways of giving that may benefit your family as well as the church. Many of these are described on the diocesan gift planning website, [www.episcopalgift.org](http://www.episcopalgift.org). Some have made gifts of stocks or bonds, real estate, retirement assets, cash or life insurance.

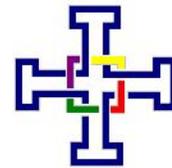
### **CAN I MAKE MY DONATION WHILE I'M LIVING?**

Yes, gifts can be made while you are still living.

### **HOW ARE ENDOWMENT FUNDS USED?**

Endowment gifts are intended for the long-term mission and ministry of St. Timothy's, and since only the earnings from the Fund may be considered for supporting such needs, gifts provide a lasting legacy to be remembered. The “Guidelines for the Endowment Fund of Saint Timothy's Episcopal

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Church Danville, California” specify the process for the administration of the Fund. Would you like to receive a copy of the Guidelines?

## **I'D LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, BUT REALLY CAN'T AFFORD TO NOW**

The beauty of Endowment pledging is that it allows for future gifts of your assets, so that your current needs won't be affected.

## **CAN I SAY HOW EARNINGS ON MY GIFT WILL BE USED?**

St. Timothy's would prefer to have the flexibility to decide where funds are most needed. But if you feel strongly about it, we'd like to work with you. (Please see the “Endowment Fund & Legacy Society” brochure for more information)

## **IF MY CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGE, CAN I RESCIND OR REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF ANY GIFT?**

Absolutely, your bequest is revocable, and you are in complete control of making changes as you see fit.

## **HOW CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT PLANNED GIVING?**

The diocesan Planned Giving Officer's ministry is to assist you in exploring which options may be most appropriate in your situation. You may contact Amanda Kiernan Martin, planned giving officer at 415.869.7812 or [amandak@diocal.org](mailto:amandak@diocal.org).