

Administrative Fees

Effective January 1, 2026

Our administrative fees support the overall mission of the Community Foundation. While fees collected for funds held at the Community Foundation support processing of grant checks, managing charitable funds, completing annual audits and reporting, our fees also make you part of the difference we make in strengthening our community. It's the convening to understand community needs and knowledge sharing, the strategic grantmaking, donor connections, and the promotion of charitable giving that makes a difference in the lives of all people who call the Fox Valley region home. Thank you for partnering with us.



DAF – Donor Advised Funds

For you or your family to recommend a variety of causes throughout the community.

DAF (without competitive Granting Program)

1.00% First \$1 million
0.80% Next \$1 million
0.60% Next \$1 million
0.30% On remaining balance

DAF (with competitive Granting Program)

1.25% First \$1 million
1.00% Next \$1 million
0.75% Next \$2 million
0.50% Over \$4 million

DAF – Large Fund (over \$10 million)

0.50% On balance

Temp Competitive DAFs (minimum fee)

(charged monthly and prorated based on fund balance if the minimum is not met)

Low Activity	\$2,500
Moderate Activity	\$5,000
High Activity	\$7,500

Annual Minimum Fees (when applicable)

Temp DAF	\$200
Temp FOI	\$300
Temp SCH	\$300
Temp UNRES	\$300
Temp DESG	\$300
Temp AGCY	\$200

FOI – Field of Interest Funds

Established with restricted gifts from donors to support specific philanthropic causes but not specific nonprofits.

1.25% On balance

SCH – Scholarship Funds

To benefit students, with awards paid directly to the recipient's school of choice.

Scholarship Fund – Low Activity

1.25% On balance

Scholarship Fund – Moderate Activity

1.50% On balance

Scholarship Fund – High Activity

2.00% On balance

UNRES – Unrestricted Fund

Board-directed, responds to current community needs and targeted opportunities.

1.25% On balance

DESG – Designated Funds

To benefit specific organizations providing a stable income stream with reliable annual distributions.

Designated Fund (scheduled distributions)

0.60% On balance

Designated Fund (upon request distribution)

0.75% On balance

AGCY – Agency Fund

Established by a 501(c)(3) public charity to support the budget of that nonprofit organization.

0.60% First \$1 million
0.40% Next \$2 million
0.30% Remaining balance

Fiscal Sponsorship/Expenditure Responsibility Fee \$1,000

Pass-Through

Pass-through Donations to Existing Endowed Funds

2.00% of Contribution

Non-endowed Bequests or Estate Gifts

2.00% of Contribution

Additional Information:

- All fees will be reviewed periodically to ensure quality service levels and financial stability. The Foundation may apply specific related legal and other expenses in connection with the creation and administration of the fund or unusual out-of-pocket expenses related to the operation of the fund. This can include, but it is not limited to: credit charge fees, brokerage fees, direct and unusual meeting expenses, etc.
 - See our gift acceptance policies for fee schedule on complex gifts.
 - Fees assessed by the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region help to cover the costs associated with the full range of philanthropic services we provide. Each fund is assessed an administrative fee as well as investment fees.
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