

Cornerstone Society: The Foundation of Your Community's Future

Join the Cornerstone Society to make an everlasting difference in your community by including a gift to the Main Street Community Foundation (MSCF) in your estate plan.

Becoming a member of the Cornerstone Society is easy and open to anyone who cares about their community and has a desire to support their favorite charitable interest or nonprofit organization beyond their lifetime.

When you draft or amend your will, trust, or estate plan, simply name the Foundation as a beneficiary to any of these assets:

- Cash
- Stocks and Other Securities
- Retirement Fund Gifts
- Life Insurance
- Real Estate and Other Tangible Property

Our Vision of Impact for the Community

Vibrant communities where people have equitable and inclusive opportunities to prosper, participate, and be inspired to give.

Our Mission

Inspiring donors and community partners to foster a sustainable legacy of impactful giving by encouraging and promoting:

- Gift Planning
- Prudent Stewardship of Assets
- Effective Grantmaking
- Community Leadership

Our Core Values

Excellence, Integrity, Inclusiveness and Transparency in all we do.

**Your Community.
Your Legacy. Your Way.**

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Confirmed in compliance with Community Foundations National Standards.



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SOCIETY**

BRISTOL BURLINGTON PLAINVILLE PLYMOUTH SOUTHLINGTON WOLCOTT

**Making a Difference
in Your Community's
Tomorrow
While Building Your
Legacy Today**

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Designing **Your Legacy** Your Way

Cornerstone Society Benefits

Plan Now to Deepen Your Impact Later

Thoughtful estate planning can achieve important financial, philanthropic, and personal goals, such as preserving the family name, honoring loved ones, safeguarding the financial security of heirs, minimizing tax burdens, and strengthening the neighborhoods you call home.

By joining Main Street Community Foundation's **Cornerstone Society** and designing your legacy gift now, you will provide a stable base of financial support — primarily through grants to nonprofit organizations — to the causes you care about for generations to come.

When shaping your philanthropic vision with **MSCF**, you can guide your bequest into one of two different endowment funds that will provide grants to support the community forever.

Your gift can be directed to one of the existing permanent endowment funds found on www.mainstreetfoundation.org. Or you can create a new endowment fund with a donor or family name; the name of a loved one or interest area; or any name of your choosing.

Flexible options for new endowment funds, which require a minimum of \$10,000, include:

- Unrestricted Community
- Field of Interest
- Donor Advised
- Designated and Project
- Sustainability
- Scholarship (requires a minimum of \$25,000)

The Foundation will work in collaboration with your accountant, attorney, tax, or financial advisor as necessary to determine the most appropriate donation for your individual circumstances, interests, and estate planning goals.

MSCF established the Cornerstone Society to honor donors leaving estate gifts to enhance their community's future.

Cornerstone Society membership benefits include:

- Pride in knowing that your bequest will make an indelible impact on the people, places, and things meaningful to you.
- Preserving your personal history forever by sharing your story with future generations directly affected by your gift.
- Recognition in MSCF publications and digital media.
- Invitations to members-only events and other celebrations.
- Unlimited access to the Foundation's experienced and professional Donor Services team, who will administer and manage your personalized charitable gift permanently.

If you have named **Main Street Community Foundation** as a beneficiary in your estate plan, please communicate your intentions to one of our team members so we can confirm your planned gift and enroll you in the **Cornerstone Society**.