SUPPORT
CREATIVITY, DISCOVERY, & LEARNING

Establish a Program Support Endowment

Endowment funding for academic initiatives, centers and programs support creativity, discovery and learning at Texas State University.

Endowed program support can range from providing flexible resources to implement and sustain a groundbreaking research initiative, to providing funds that enable faculty to lead programs that enhance the educational experience for our students.

Program funds help our faculty test new innovative approaches, provide hands-on learning to prepare our students for their careers, and apply knowledge generated at Texas State to solve real-world problems.

PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES RELYING ON ENDOWMENT SUPPORT

- **PROGRAM FUNDS**
  - Provide flexible resources to a specific Program Fund to implement and sustain research initiatives or student support.

- **SEED FUNDING**
  - Enable interdisciplinary teams to pursue new and innovative ideas.

- **SUMMER RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT**
  - Accelerate new research and partnerships with industry and government.

- **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**
  - Encourage peer mentoring and leadership development for junior faculty or students.

- **EQUIPMENT & TECHNOLOGIES**
  - Support research programs by funding the acquisition of select equipment and technologies.

- **STUDENT AWARDS**

- **FACULTY INNOVATOR AWARDS**
  - Recognize innovative research by funding a Faculty Innovator Award.
HOW TO CREATE a PROGRAM ENDOWMENT

1. Gift a minimum of $25,000
   - Created with
     - Cash
     - Marketable Securities
     - Other Assets
   Pledges toward that minimum may be made over a period up to five years.

2. Create an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)
   - To specify
     - The donor’s intent
     - Standard procedures for managing endowment funds

3. Set up your GIFT
   - 2 Options
     - Keep the principle intact and only use the interest generated
     - Enable flexibility to draw down on the principle in alignment with your intent

HOW AN ENDOWMENT WORKS

The principle gift that establishes an endowment is always preserved, with only the investment income distributed annually to support the fund’s purpose. Earnings in excess of this distribution are used to build the fund’s market value.

*Donated funds (the principle) are invested to generate income. Earnings are distributed annually to designated accounts at a rate of 4% applied to a three-year rolling average of the endowment’s fair market value.

MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

Texas State is eligible for the Texas Research Incentive Program (TRIP), which matches research-designated gifts of $100,000 or more, including graduate fellowships and undergraduate research scholarships.* There are also many college-, career- or program-specific matching opportunities to boost the power of your gift. Many private companies also offer matching programs.

*The minimum amount for any installment is $100,000.

ENDOWMENT MANAGEMENT

Endowments established in the Texas State University Development Foundation are invested by Cambridge Associates, an investment consulting firm, with oversight from the Development Foundation Investment Committee.

The Development Foundation is committed to responsibly accepting, stewarding, and maintaining the investments of private donors. The long-term objective of the Development Foundation is to earn a return sufficient to provide for current university needs while preserving the purchasing power of endowments for generations to come. Learn more at https://developmentfoundation.txstate.edu.