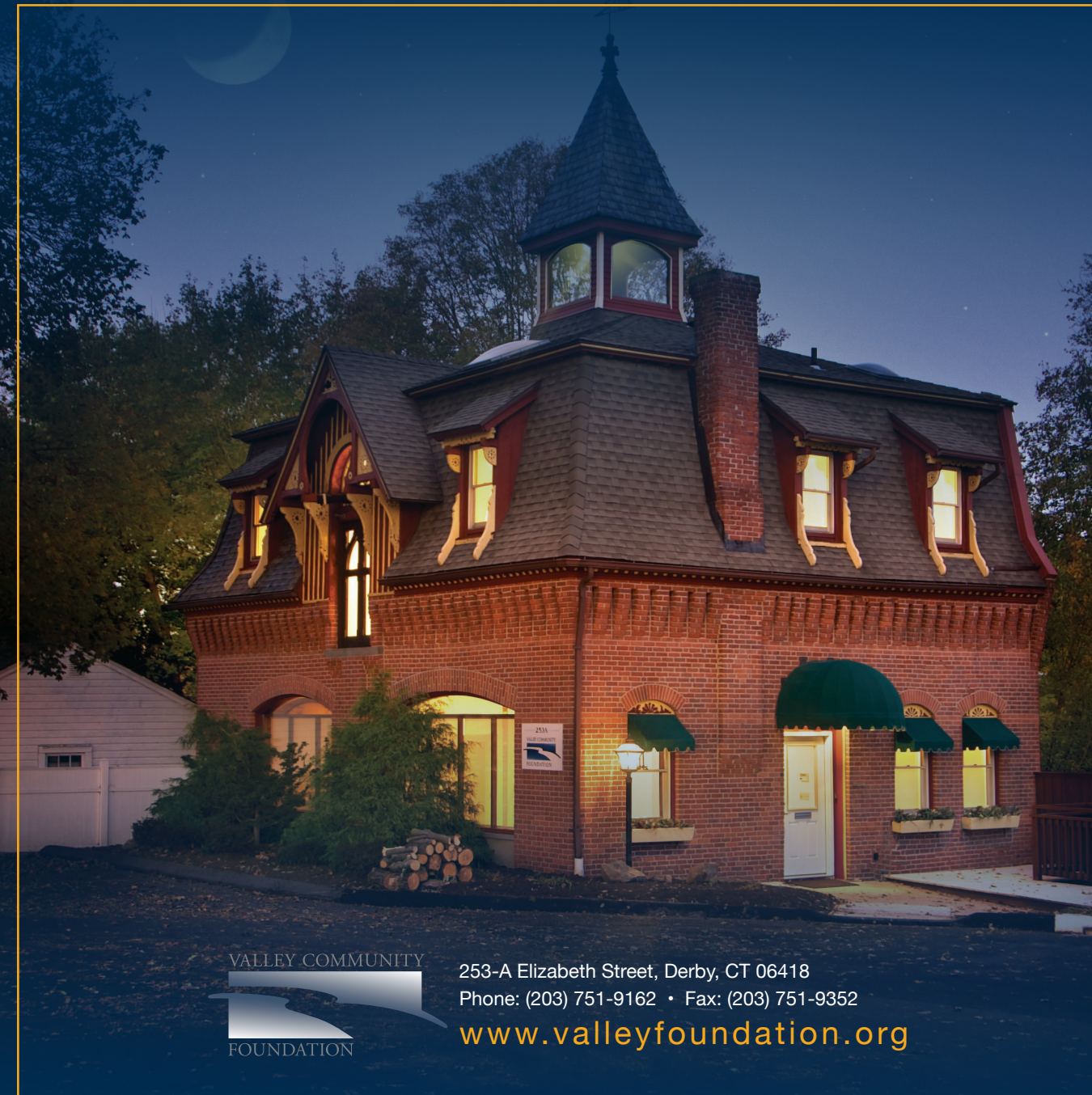




You will benefit the Valley for generations to come.

Whether you have a passion for the environment or want to support a local library, you can establish a fund or contribute to an existing fund through your estate plan to fulfill your philanthropic wishes.

The Community Foundation can accept a wide range of assets, which will be used to support local nonprofits dedicated to making the Valley a better, stronger community.



Planned Giving



Why the Foundation?

Honoring donor intent is what we do. As the needs and opportunities of the Valley community evolve, we are here to build an informed community, grow philanthropy, and create a lasting impact for generations to come.

We offer local expertise, provide personalized attention that is tailored to your goals – both charitable and financial, and offer endowment vehicles that allow your impact to grow over time and create a lasting legacy.

***Together, we can nurture the vibrancy
of the Valley.***

through the
Valley Community Foundation

Planned gifts are simple, straightforward, and a convenient way to support your community with little-to-no impact on your current financial situation.

Name Valley Community Foundation (VCF) in your will or trust for a specific percentage or amount, as a residual gift, or contingent gift.



Designate VCF as the beneficiary to an insurance policy, individual retirement account (IRA), 401k, or checking/savings account.



For another stream of income, create a Charitable Gift Annuity and benefit from an immediate tax break and guaranteed income for life. Upon your passing, VCF receives the remaining balance and fulfills your philanthropic wishes.



Leverage the power of charitable remainder trusts or charitable lead trusts to perpetuate your values and your wealth for both your heirs and your charitable intentions.



Establishing a Fund to Create your Legacy

You can set up a fund during your lifetime with little or no financial commitment and name the fund as a charitable beneficiary designation in your estate plan.

Donor Advised Funds

A Donor Advised Fund gives you and your successor advisors the most flexibility by recommending grants to support nonprofits and issues you care about. A Donor Advised Fund is a wonderful vehicle to perpetuate your family values throughout future generations.

Donor Designated Funds

If you want to support one or multiple nonprofit organizations, a Donor Designated Fund allows you to name nonprofits that will receive an annual gift from your Fund.

Scholarship Funds

Scholarship Funds are often created in memory of someone and enable you to help students pursue their academic ambitions or benefit a specific educational institution.

Preference Funds

Preference or Field of Interest Funds support evolving needs and a variety of nonprofits by focusing on an area of interest you are passionate about, such as education, environmental issues, healthcare, or a specific geographic area.

Unrestricted Funds

You can help address emerging issues in the Valley by creating an Unrestricted Fund, which allows us to make an impact as the needs in our communities change over time.

Testamentary Funds

A Testamentary Fund is created during your lifetime and contains your philanthropic plan. You may have multiple charitable interests that you would like to leave as a charitable beneficiary in your estate. You name the fund at VCF in your estate plan and when we receive your assets we will carry out your wishes. Your plan can be modified at any time without the expense of an attorney.



Join the Gates Society

Joining VCF's planned giving community is simple. Let us know you have named VCF or one of our funds in your estate plan so we can personally thank you during your lifetime.

The Society is named in honor of Ross and Frank Gates, the brothers of a prominent Derby family, from the 1900's. Ross and Frank created trusts in the family name to benefit the Valley in perpetuity. By contributing to VCF, you, just like the Gates brothers, will be giving back to Valley you love today, tomorrow, and forever.



A community-wide planned giving initiative that aims to promote a unified message about the importance of giving back locally to benefit the Valley community both now and in the future. The tools, videos, and simple explanations available at www.valleygivesback.org will help inform how to make a commitment to your favorite charities during your lifetime without jeopardizing your nest egg. Plan now. Give later. Impact tomorrow.

Learn More

There are many ways you can remember the Valley, many of which have no immediate impact on your existing cost of living. It's your plan and your legacy. Let us help. Contact us at (203) 751-9162, visit www.valleyfoundation.org, or speak with your trusted professional advisor to explore which planned giving vehicle is best for you.

Planned Giving through the Valley Community Foundation