



PIKES PEAK  
COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION

# Charitable Giving At a Glance

Quick Reference Guide

**When choosing a planned giving vehicle, contribution limits, duration, complexity and level of donor control are just some of the characteristics that donors must consider. Pikes Peak Community Foundation can help determine which charitable product or platform best suits your needs.**



	<b>PPCF DONOR ADVISED FUND</b>	<b>PPCF SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>PRIVATE FOUNDATION</b>
<b>Tax Treatment of cash gifts</b>	Deductible up to 60 percent of Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).	Deductible up to 60 percent of Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).	Deductible up to 30 percent of AGI.
<b>Tax treatment of gifts of publicly traded securities</b>	Full market value deduction up to 30 percent of AGI.	Full market value deduction up to 30 percent of AGI.	Full market value up to 20 percent of AGI.
<b>Tax treatment of real estate or closely held stock</b>	Full market value deduction up to 30 percent of AGI.	Full market value deduction up to 30 percent of AGI.	Deduction limited to donor's cost basis, up to 20 percent of AGI.
<b>Required payout</b>	No required payout. Can accumulate income toward a sizable project or grant. Has flexibility to hold low-yield property.	No required payout, however must demonstrate ongoing support for named public charities or causes.	Required to expend 5 percent of asset value annually, regardless of the Foundation's actual investment returns.
<b>Incorporation and tax exemption</b>	Automatically covered by Community Foundation.	Tax exemption is derived from Community Foundation. Must apply as a separate entity.	Must create corporation or trust and apply for tax exemption.
<b>Privacy</b>	Individual donors or grants can be kept private. If donor wishes, Community Foundation can serve as a buffer between donor and grant-seekers.	Supporting Organization required to file detailed tax returns on grants, investment fees, trustee fees, staff salaries, etc. These are public records, available on the Internet, and are compiled into directories for grant-seekers.	Foundation required to file detailed tax returns on grants, investment fees, trustee fees, staff salaries, etc. These are public records, available on the Internet, and are compiled into directories for grant-seekers.
<b>Control</b>	Donor may recommend grants and investments, however PPCF Board of Trustees has discretion over all decisions.	Donor may recommend grants and investments, but PPCF has significant input in all decisions.	Trustees have complete control of all grantmaking and investment decisions; are subject to self-dealing rules.
<b>Governance</b>	Donor may name advisors to recommend grants and investments; Donors may also name successor advisors to the fund.	Opportunity to appoint board members; majority of board must be independent and non-family trustees appointed by PPCF.	Opportunity to appoint all board members; no restrictions on appointments.



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<b>Liability and insurance</b>	Automatically covered by Community Foundation’s liability and office insurance policies.	Automatically covered by Community Foundation’s liability and office insurance policies.	Director’s and officer’s liability insurance, employee bonding, and office insurance must be separately purchased.
<b>Investment, accounting, audit, and tax returns</b>	The Community Foundation handles all investments and accounting, filing an annual tax return and providing an annual independent audit.	The Community Foundation handles all investments and accounting, filing an annual tax return and providing an annual independent audit.	Trustees must perform, contract, or hire staff for these services.
<b>General administration</b>	Community Foundation handles all financial and administrative management.	Community Foundation handles all financial and administrative management.	Trustees must perform, contract, or hire staff for these services.
<b>Grant administration</b>	Community Foundation can assist in identifying potential recipients, investigating applicants, making grant payments, and monitoring performance.	Community Foundation can assist in identifying potential recipients, investigating applicants, making grant payments, and monitoring performance.	Trustees must perform, contract, or hire staff for these services.
<b>Costs</b>	No startup costs and can be established immediately. The Community Foundation’s fees for most permanent funds range from 0.9% to 1.75% of the fund balance annually.	Start-up costs and legal fees can be substantial. May take several months to create. Administrative fees negotiated on individual basis.	Start-up costs and legal fees can be substantial. May take several months to create. Private foundations of under \$1 million had average costs of 9.5% of assets. For more information visit <a href="http://www.cof.org">www.cof.org</a>