

## **Endowment Fund Giving Guide for Westside Unitarian Universalist Church**

### ***What is the Endowment Fund?***

Members can support the long-term health of the church by contributing to our Endowment Fund. The Endowment Fund exists to ensure the future wellbeing of the congregation, as well as providing funds for extraordinary or unexpected expenses. This is different from an annual pledge contribution that funds the salaries, overhead, and program costs of the year. During trying times like this pandemic, the need for a strong Endowment Fund stands out. With your help, Westside UU can weather the storms of today or tomorrow, and continue to serve our congregation and the greater community. Donations can be made to one of three funds, all of which require congregational approval for disbursement:

Perpetual Fund - Fund principal is held in perpetuity.

Building Fund - Distributions from this fund must be used for land or building-related purposes only.

Flexible Fund - Distributions from this fund may be used for a variety of purposes.

The investment and distribution of the fund are guided by our [Endowment Distribution and Investment Policy](#).

### ***How do I give?***

Now giving to the Endowment is even easier. You may fill out a [donation form](#) and send it in with your payment to our church office, give online at [bit.ly/WUUgiveOnline](https://bit.ly/WUUgiveOnline) or through the GivePlus app, or remember Westside UU in your estate planning.

Westside UU Endowment Fund is also registered with Amazon Smile, Kroger Community Rewards, and Tom Thumb's Good Neighbor Program. When you open an account at any of these and set Westside as your charity of choice, Westside UU's Endowment can receive a donation at no cost to you each time you shop. If you shop at any of these merchants, please sign up today.

### **Amazon Smile**

To ensure that .05% of your Amazon purchases are donated to Westside UU Church, you must set your Amazon Account to ensure this happens.

1. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)
2. In the search line put Westside Unitarian Universalist Church.
3. This should take you to a page where you have to check a box that you understand that the company will donate .05% of the purchase to Westside UU.
4. This will only work when you shop using [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) so please bookmark it. If you use the regular website then there will be no donation.

## **Kroger Community Rewards**

Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Kroger Community Rewards selection on your digital account.

1. Visit [www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com) to sign in to your digital account or create one.
2. Search for your organization [here](#).
3. Enter the name, Westside Unitarian Universalist, or NPO number MD193 of the organization you wish to support.
4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save".

## **Tom Thumb Good Neighbor Program**

Visit [www.tomthumb.com/yourstore/good-neighbor.html](http://www.tomthumb.com/yourstore/good-neighbor.html) or

Print out the [Tom Thumb Good Neighbor form](#), add your information with Westside UU's number 14213, and give it to Customer Service at your local store, or

Print out the [Tom Thumb Good Neighbor form](#), fill it out, then copy or scan it into an email and send to [good.neighbor@tomthumb.com](mailto:good.neighbor@tomthumb.com)

## **GivePlus App**

Westside can now receive donations through the [GivePlus App](#). With GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to the church using your smartphone. Donations can be made with a credit or debit card. You can contribute as a guest user, or you can set up an account with will allow for recurring donations and allow you to view your giving history. GivePlus is a safe, secure way to make online donations to Westside.

## **Endowment Donation Form**

Print and fill out a [donation form](#) and provide it with your donation to either the Financial Secretary, place in the Treasurer's Inbox at the church, or mail to Westside Unitarian Universalist Church  
901 Page Ave Fort Worth TX 76110

If you are unable to print out a form, you may call the church office and the office administrator will be happy to mail you a hard copy of the forms.