



SickKids[®]

Donor Advised Funds

SickKids Charitable Giving Fund

The SickKids Charitable Giving Fund represents a unique opportunity for donors who wish to have more control, flexibility, and involvement with their gifts. The Fund offers donors a giving vehicle known as a donor advised fund, a cost-effective alternative to creating your own private foundation. Donor advised funds create a lasting charitable legacy that contributes to a better world through improved children's health.

Why SickKids

As a world leader in paediatric health, SickKids is an exceptional place offering unparalleled patient care, groundbreaking research discoveries, and learning opportunities that are changing the field of child health. Through our integrated program of care, research, and education, SickKids ensures more children around the world have access to the diagnoses, treatments, and cures that can help them prevent, manage, and survive critical illness.

Our gift and estate planning team offers simple, flexible, and thoughtful options that help you and your estate attain financial benefits while enhancing the impact of your gift on child health.

The Advantages of a Donor Advised Fund

A donor advised fund enables you to create a personalized, named fund and customize your philanthropic gift, without being burdened by the associated costs and administrative requirements of a private foundation.

The benefits of establishing a donor advised fund include:

- The opportunity to honour or memorialize yourself or a loved one by establishing a named fund, and help multiple charities of your choice today, tomorrow, and beyond
- Creating a culture of giving that could involve a couple, an entire family, a corporation, or a group working together

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- The opportunity to invest your gift alongside SickKids Foundation endowments — our endowment’s rate of return ranks in the top 1 per cent of all charitable foundations in North America, significantly outperforming industry benchmarks
- Receiving excellent stewardship of your assets, while avoiding the administrative and financial burdens associated with a private foundation

Creating a Culture of Giving

Robert and Naomi consider themselves lucky to be the parents of four healthy children. While their kids have never been patients at the Hospital, they believe in the importance of supporting SickKids — a national treasure.

“We were looking for a way to support our favourite charities more strategically and also wanted to find a way to introduce our children to philanthropy,” explains Robert.

To accomplish this goal, Robert and Naomi decided to establish the Robert and Naomi Shapero Family Donor Advised Fund. By establishing this donor advised fund, the family can make decisions together about what charities they would like to support without the associated costs and cumbersome administrative requirements of a private family foundation.

Robert sees enormous value in the permanence of a donor advised fund. “By creating a culture of giving within our family, we hope we will be able to impact children’s health and other worthwhile causes during our lifetime and beyond. It is fulfilling to know that our children and grandchildren will be able to carry on this legacy of giving long after we are gone.”

Four Easy Steps

Establishing a donor advised fund is easy:

1. Make a minimum \$100,000 commitment payable over five years (\$20,000 per year for five years), or through your estate.
2. Name the fund, i.e. The Smith Family Donor Advised Fund.
3. Name one or more successors to continue your legacy of giving.
4. Annually, decide what charities will receive grants from your fund — 50 per cent of your fund’s support will be allocated to SickKids Foundation, and 50 per cent can be allocated to qualified donees of your choice.

For more information about Donor Advised Funds, please contact the Office of Gift & Estate Planning at 416.813.8271 or gift.planning@sickkidsfoundation.com.

