

First steps as a donor... it couldn't be more simple!

Start your journey

We can help you decide whether you should create your own fund or follow another route to achieve your philanthropic goals.

Think about your goals

We can help you take a closer look at what you and your family would most like to support.

Choose what you wish to support

With our deep insight into Worcestershire's needs and the organisations that are doing the great work to help disadvantaged communities, we can inform and connect you.

We can work with your professional advisor

We have excellent working relationships with advisors and have developed successful funds; we would be delighted to meet with you and your advisor to talk about your wishes and help you find the best solution to meet your needs.



Get in touch

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You can also find more information on our website:

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Our guide to giving



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About Worcestershire Community Foundation

Established in 2003, Worcestershire Community Foundation is an independent, grant making charity; in 2022/23 we gave out over £800,000 in charitable funds to 164+ causes across Worcestershire.

We manage a range of themed funds including ones that support mental health, young people, older people and the arts. We are proud to be part of a national network of 47 community foundations which together form Britain's fourth largest funding body.

We are a funder for the whole county – dedicated to helping ensure that Worcestershire is a better place to be. Our strength is that we are not allied to a particular cause; our overall aim is to improve the quality of life for local communities by supporting local philanthropic giving and sharing funds effectively wherever there are genuine needs.

Our knowledge of the county and the many wonderful charities and community groups that support local needs is second to none.

We are passionate in supporting communities to not just survive but thrive by linking philanthropic donors with causes that matter most to them.

Become part of our donor family

Why give through us?

Many people wish to put something back into their local community but are uncertain how to do it. We can offer the flexibility for you to decide how to allocate your gift according to your wishes aligned to local needs.

With our support you can:

- Discuss and agree how to meet your charitable goals
- Access our wealth of local knowledge to ensure your gift supports causes you care about and connects you with them
- Make a gift in the most cost effective and tax efficient way
- Be confident that we will carefully manage the administration of your gift
- Maximise the sustainability and impact of your gift to make a real difference into the future by leaving a gift to your community
- Ensure that through our endowment funds your gift is invested for the longer-term and our funds are carefully invested to maximise returns

Giving in your lifetime and beyond ...

There are different solutions we can offer you to give something back to Worcestershire and make a difference. You can:

● Make a regular donation to our funds

This could be an ideal way to start your journey with us. Donations of all sizes are pooled together and grants from the investment income of our funds are made each year to support local communities.

● Establish your own charitable fund

Setting up your own Charitable Fund is an excellent option if you have a strong interest in supporting a particular cause and would like to be more actively engaged in charitable giving. Whether you are an individual, family, business or private foundation we will work with you to set up a fund that reflects your passions and best suits your charitable goals. We can do this quickly and effectively so you can start your philanthropic giving sooner!

● Leave a legacy

By making WCF a beneficiary of your will or part of your estate plan, you are making a valued contribution to a better future for our communities. We can work with you or your professional advisor to ensure that your wishes are met and that your generosity will last for generations to come.

