

Through a scholarship fund with Branch County Community
Foundation, you can invest in the lives of students who are pursuing
their dreams. The community foundation provides the expertise to
help you meet your personal goals and awards scholarships to
deserving students who meet the criteria that you are able to help set.
Your gift can help students at all ages and stages pursue education and
open new doors to success.

### HOW IT WORKS







INVEST FOR GROWTH



**GRANTS TO NONPROFITS** 

- You make a gift to the community foundation—you can give cash, appreciated stocks, real estate or other assets.
- We set up a scholarship fund in your name, in the name of your family or business or in honor of any person or organization you choose.
- You may receive tax benefits in the year your gift is made.
- Our professional program staff helps you to determine eligibility requirements for the scholarship you establish—whether they are based on a student's field of study, academic achievements, extracurricular activities, financial need, background or geography.
- We handle all the administrative details—and award scholarships to deserving students in the name of the fund you establish.

## VALUING EDUCATION

A couple of years into a comfortable retirement, John and Rose DiAngelo, both former teachers, realized how much they missed making a difference in the lives of students. "For both of us, education was not only a profession-it was a calling," John DiAngelo said. Looking for a way to stay involved, the DiAngelos started a scholarship with their community foundation. They wanted scholarships made in their name to benefit students interested in becoming teachers. "The community foundation helped us create our legacy. It's a wonderful feeling to let students know we still care," John said. "The community foundation does all the administrative work involved in determining the most deserving students," Rose DiAngelo said. Over the past three years, The DiAngelo Education Fund has provided six scholarships to the next generation of teachers.



# 10 REASONS TO GIVE THROUGH THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

- We are a *local organization*with deep roots in the
  community
- We have **broad expertise** regarding community issues and needs.
- We provide highly *personalized* service tailored to each individual's charitable and financial interests.
- Our funds help people *invest in the causes* they care about most.
- We accept a wide *variety of assets* and can facilitate even the most complex forms of giving.
- We partner with *professional* advisors to create highly effective approaches to charitable giving.
- We offer maximum *tax advantages* for most gifts

  under state and federal law.
- We *multiply the impact* of gift dollars by pooling them with other gifts and grants.
- We build *endowment funds* that benefit the community for decades and help create personal legacies.
- We are a *community leader*, coordinating collaborative resources to create positive change.

## FUND OVERVIEW SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Your gift can be placed into an endowment that is invested over time. Earnings from your fund are used to make grants addressing community needs. Your gift—and all future earnings from your gift—is a permanent source of community capital, helping to do good work forever.

#### OTHER ADVANTAGES

You can create a scholarship as a memorial to someone special, selecting eligibility criteria that exemplify that person's goals and values. Or, you may use it to express your educational values—or those of your family or business.

Depending on your preferences, the scholarship you establish can support any area of academic need, including tuition, room and board, and books. Our program staff tracks performance to ensure students continue to meet the terms for scholarship support. If the scholarship you establish is renewable you can review updated information on the progress of recipients over the years. You may even elect to meet the students—something many donors find rewarding.

## LET'S CONNECT

Contact us to learn more about the ways we can help you have a positive impact on the community and causes you care about.



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