



GIVING FOR THE FUTURE

With A Donor Advised Fund Gift

A Donor Advised Fund is often funded with appreciated securities, which avoids the capital gain taxes on those assets. Because the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation is a Type III supporting organization under the tax law, Donor Advised Funds are subject to special rules and thus, a donor should make a Donor Advised Fund distribution gift directly to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park ("Meijer Gardens"). Donors may designate a DAF gift to the endowment then Meijer Gardens may transfer some or all of those funds to the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation ("Foundation") which focuses on the management of endowment funds.

Gifts designated to the endowment will be included in the Donor's cumulative giving to the Foundation. The Foundation is a single-purpose Foundation with an endowment fund to support Meijer Gardens. Financial support from the Foundation's endowment plays an important role in maintaining the world-class botanical gardens, sculpture collection, art and educational programs which have become the hallmark of Meijer Gardens.

A gift or pledge of \$1,000 or more qualifies for permanent recognition at Meijer Gardens.

Donors are entitled to establish a named fund, restricted or unrestricted, by making a gift or pledge of \$10,000 or more.

The Foundation has two distinctive Societies that members may join, the Perennial Society and the Bonsai Society. Membership into these societies is available to individuals whose cumulative cash gifts, pledges and/or estate plan gifts are \$10,000 or \$100,000 respectively.

Membership into a Society for individuals who have made a provision in their will or estate plan and to receive permanent recognition, donors must submit a copy of the gift provision in their will or estate plan, or have other written documentation, verifying that the minimum has been met. If the plan calls for a percentage of the estate's remainder, and the amount will be over the minimum amount required for membership, a written statement from the estate planner, tax consultant or attorney would meet the requirement for membership.

For more information, please call 616-791-3901.

Please issue DAF payments to
West Michigan Horticultural Society, Inc.
d/b/a Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park
1000 E. Beltline Ave NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49525
Tax ID: 38-2394044
Designated to the Meijer Gardens endowment

- I/we would like to make a pledge of \$ _____ over _____ number of years beginning in _____ (month/year)
- I/we have remembered the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Foundation in my/our will/estate plan and will provide documentation.
- Please send information on how to include the FMG&SF in my/our will/estate plan.
- I/we would like to join the Perennial Society and have given minimum cumulative monetary gifts, pledges and/or estate plan of \$10,000.
- I/we would like to join the Bonsai Society and have given minimum cumulative monetary gifts, pledges and/or estate plan of \$100,000.
- Please designate my gift/pledge to the General Unrestricted Fund.
- Please designate my gift/pledge to the _____ Fund.
(Fund Name)

This is how my/our name(s) should appear for recognition purposes.

(Please do not exceed 40 characters)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

- A gift of \$200 to \$999 qualifies you for recognition as an Annual Contributor for the year in which the gift was made.
- Cumulative gifts of \$1,000 or more qualify you for permanent recognition at Meijer Gardens.
- Cumulative gifts of \$10,000 or more qualify you for permanent recognition and allows you to establish a named fund.