



# Donor Advised Fund Information



WHERE *faith* & *finance* MEET

## HELP ADVANCE GOD'S KINGDOM

Did you know that Donor Advised Funds (DAFs) have become, perhaps, the most popular investment tools for donors' charitable giving today? There are now more DAFs in the country than any other charitable instrument. Between 1995 and 2012, assets in over 200,000 DAF accounts grew from \$5.5 billion to \$45 billion.

## WHAT IS A DONOR ADVISED FUND?

A DAF is like having your very own private foundation. Once created, you can recommend grants out of your DAF to your preferred charitable ministries throughout the year. The purpose in setting up a DAF is very focused: to give money away for the purpose of furthering the Kingdom of God.

DAF accounts set up by individuals and ministries are expertly and confidentially administered by Orchard Alliance, which is headquartered in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Orchard Alliance's staff has the specialized skills required for investing, administration, and documentation, thus relieving donors from the burden of complex regulatory details. Orchard Alliance has been serving ministries in this role for more than 50 years.

## ADVANTAGES OF ESTABLISHING A DAF THROUGH ORCHARD ALLIANCE

### EASY TO SET UP

There are no complicated legal documents to fill out. A short application form is all that is necessary to set up a DAF with Orchard Alliance. This [application](#) may be filled out on our website at [orchardalliance.org/individuals-families/generosity](http://orchardalliance.org/individuals-families/generosity).

### COST EFFICIENT

No legal fees are required to establish a DAF account with Orchard Alliance. For DAFs invested in equities, an annual administration fee is charged according to a tiered schedule.

### TAX BENEFITS

Once an asset is given to start a DAF, an immediate income tax deduction is taken by the donor. Because there is no income received by the donor, the tax deduction is for the fair market value of the asset. This includes highly appreciated assets, which means that the donor does not pay tax on the capital gain of that asset.

### ANONYMITY

If requested by the donor, Orchard Alliance will forward the grant to the designated ministry with no mention of the donor.

### LEGACY OF FAMILY GIVING

Advisory capacity for the DAF may be passed on to the donor's children, thus involving successive generations of the donor's family in Kingdom giving. A non-family advisor may also be named, if so desired.

### ONLINE INTERACTIVITY

Orchard Alliance Online Access allows donors to conduct all of their activity online, making grant requests, tracking account activity, and researching charities to determine if they are IRS-compliant.



## **WHAT KIND OF ANNUAL INTEREST RATE DOES A DAF YIELD?**

Currently, DAFs through Orchard Alliance receive a favorable annual return through an investment account with Orchard Alliance.\* The earned interest grows the fund balance in the DAF, enabling donors to give even more to Kingdom work. Other investment options are also available.

*\*Please contact us for current rates.*

## **HOW EASY IS IT TO MAKE A GRANT FROM A DONOR ADVISED FUND?**

One of the primary benefits of having a DAF is the ease by which a donor can make a gift to their preferred ministry. A grant request can be made easily through Orchard Alliance Online Access.

## **GET STARTED**

For more details about Donor Advised Funds and Orchard Alliance, please contact us today.