



*We discovered charitable gift funds (aka donor-advised funds) about a decade ago, and have been using it ever since for all of our donations - including to Williams. We love the flexibility it provides - we can accumulate our charitable dollars over time to give out larger sums, or we can schedule automatic recurring donations. It's really convenient even if you can only contribute a little bit each year to your fund.*

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## Donor-Advised Fund (DAF)

**A managed fund used to make your donations to charities over time**

### Benefits

- ❖ Many financial service companies and community foundations offer DAFs.
- ❖ Creating a DAF provides one source for your family's charitable giving.
- ❖ Assets in your fund grow tax-free.
- ❖ You'll have flexibility to decide when and how to make your charitable grant recommendations.
- ❖ If you itemize your deductions, you will earn a federal income tax charitable deduction each time you make a gift to your DAF.
- ❖ Bundle future charitable gifts by making a large DAF contribution in the current tax year, itemizing your charitable deductions. Then, in future years, change to take advantage of the increased standard deduction (instead of itemizing) and continue to support your favorite charities by making charitable grants from your DAF.

### Two ways to use a DAF to support Williams:

1. For a current gift, simply recommend a grant to Williams. You can support the Alumni Fund, an endowed fund, or other special gift purpose.
2. For a gift upon your passing, name Williams to receive a portion or all of the remainder of your DAF. By doing so, you will qualify for membership in The Ephraim Williams Society, the college's bequest recognition society.