



Inspired Giving

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Your Life's Work

Why do you give? Do you want to make a real difference? Is your generosity a reflection of your values, or a way to inspire others to give? Whatever the reason you support our archdiocesan parishes, schools and ministries, it's clear you believe in the work of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Because of your connection to us, it's natural that you would like the mission of our Church to continue well into the future. How? By making a future gift as part of your legacy.

Create Your Legacy at the Catholic Community Foundation

You can continue your generosity long after your lifetime. Some options include:

- **Percentage giving.** Through your will, you can designate percentages of your estate as you see fit. For example, designate 5% of your total estate to us, while leaving 95% to loved ones.

- **Blended giving.** Give an outright gift of cash or other assets today, combined with a future gift, such as naming the Catholic Community Foundation in your will.
- **Beneficiary designation.** A simple form is all it takes to name the Catholic Community Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement plan assets, unneeded life insurance policy or donor advised fund.

Your life's work (and subsequent legacy) is your opportunity to make a statement. Whatever the reason behind your giving, we are here to help you fulfill your goals. Contact us at 410-547-5352 or CatholicCommunityFoundation@archbalt.org with any questions.



Honor Someone Special

Making a gift in honor of someone else keeps that special person's memory alive through your generosity to a shared cause.

The Essential Checklist

4 Estate Planning Must-Haves

You don't have to be an expert to create a successful estate plan. All you need are four essential documents. Our team has helped supporters like you use their estate plans to further our spiritual efforts. We'd be honored to help you, too.

- 1 Last will and testament and/or trust**—Controls how your assets, such as money and property, are distributed after your lifetime. Without a will, the state you live in decides what happens to your assets. Trusts allow you to make special arrangements for the management of your assets for yourself and others, such as sheltering assets for a surviving spouse or benefiting heirs or your favorite nonprofits.
- 2 Durable power of attorney for finances**—Names a person who will have the legal right to handle financial matters on your behalf if you are unable to do so.
- 3 Durable power of attorney for health care**—Also known as a health care proxy, this document addresses all medical treatment. It names one or more individuals you trust to make medical decisions on your behalf if you are incapacitated.
- 4 Living will/advance directive**—Documents your wishes regarding life-sustaining care.

Do I Need a Trust?

If you answer yes to any of these questions, a trust may be right for you:

- Do you want to avoid probate to keep your distributions private and speed up the settlement process?
- Do you have real estate located out of state?
- Does someone with special needs depend on you for care?

We're Here to Help

Let us partner with you in your planning process. Contact us at 410-547-5352 or CatholicCommunityFoundation@archbalt.org with any questions. We are happy to help.





Now We're Talking

3 Conversations to Have This Year

Think of the biggest decisions you've made in your life: moving to a new town, making a major purchase, changing jobs, retiring. How many of those decisions did you make only after consulting loved ones, experts or both? Probably most or all of them. Choosing to include a charitable gift in your estate plan is no exception. For peace of mind, it helps to talk to these critical "team members" as part of the process.

Your Loved Ones

You likely have family members and/or close friends whose input you value. And you may want to provide for them after your lifetime. Balancing that with a desire to help our mission in the future is easier than you may think, thanks to percentage giving.

Conversation Starters

- "Providing for you is one of my top priorities."
- "I also want to sustain the mission of my Catholic faith after my lifetime. That's why I plan to give ____% of my estate to the Catholic Community Foundation."

Your Financial Planner

Reach out to a trusted advisor to ensure your charitable vision aligns with your financial goals.

Conversation Starters

- "I would like to establish an endowment to support Catholic causes. How can I make it fit with my long-term financial plan?"
- "What are the best gift vehicles for my personal financial situation?"

Your Favorite Nonprofits

We are always happy to answer your questions. Plus, notifying us about your gift ensures that your wishes are carried out as you intend.

Conversation Starters

- "How will my gift further the mission of the Church?"
- "What are the Catholic Community Foundation's plans and goals for the future?"

Let's Talk!

Contact us at CatholicCommunityFoundation@archbalt.org or 410-547-5352 to start the conversation about your future impact today.

Did You Know?

It's critical to let us know of your gift because many retirement plan administrators assume no obligation to notify a charity of your designation. The administrator also will not monitor whether your gift designations are followed. We would love to talk with you about your intentions to ensure that they are followed. We would also like to thank you for your generosity.



Add It Up

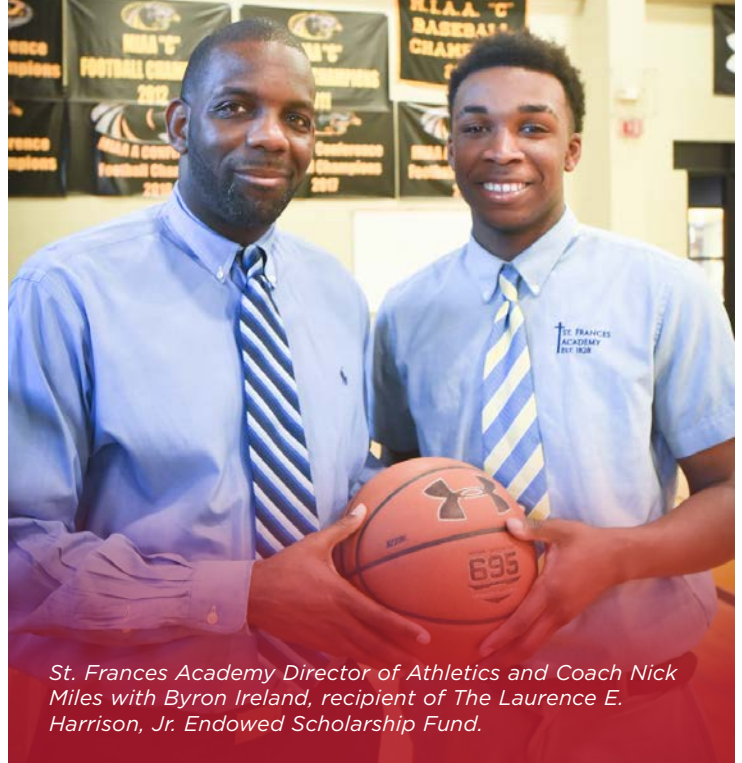
Wonder what your assets are worth? Use our **FREE** guide *Know Your Worth* to tally up your property, bank accounts and other assets. Request your copy with the enclosed card.

A 'Basketball Family' Fulfills Players' Dreams

Siblings Laurence and Tori Harrison were both standout basketball stars at Towson Catholic High School. Laurence went on to play at Wake Forest, and after college played professionally in Spain, Italy and Mexico. Tori was a four-year letter winner and a two-year captain at Louisiana Tech, helping to lead her team to the NCAA Final Four twice. Her career in coaching spanned five years leading university women's basketball programs before ultimately landing her as head coach at Coppin State and Rider universities.

Both Tori and Laurence received full scholarships to college. Sadly, they also shared a rare and incurable neuro-muscular disease known as Machado-Joseph. This cut both their lives far too short, with Laurence passing away in 2003 and Tori in 2020.

After Laurence's death, the family established *The Laurence E. Harrison, Jr. Endowed Scholarship Fund* in the Catholic Community Foundation to benefit a member of the boys' basketball team at Towson Catholic (TC) High School. When TC closed, this scholarship transferred to St. Frances Academy, a coed Catholic high school in Baltimore City. With Tori's passing, the Harrison family established a similar scholarship in the Foundation that would benefit a member of the girls' basketball team at St. Frances, *The Tori E. Harrison Endowed Scholarship*.



St. Frances Academy Director of Athletics and Coach Nick Miles with Byron Ireland, recipient of The Laurence E. Harrison, Jr. Endowed Scholarship Fund.

Melissa A. D'Adamo, Vice President for Mission Advancement at St. Frances, adds, "It's really meaningful. This financial help for families who are trying to put their students through St. Frances is life changing."

Lauren Williams, Tori's daughter, sums up her family's feelings on being able to establish these endowments: "We're proud that both my mom and my uncle get to leave such a lasting legacy."

Make a Big Impact

Your future gift to the Catholic Community Foundation can help future students achieve their dreams. Contact us to learn about your giving options.



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