

# Mayflower Church Legacy Giving

## How to provide for an end-of-life gift to Mayflower

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### **Option 1: A gift to Mayflower Community Congregational Church:**

- ❖ Such gifts are used to fund the strategic priorities of the church *today*.
- ❖ These priorities might include a capital project, social justice initiative, or a pressing need identified by church leaders.
- ❖ Your gift could be unrestricted (Mayflower leaders would decide how best to put the money to work) or restricted to a particular purpose that you have chosen after consulting with church leaders.

### **Option 2: A gift to Mayflower Church Foundation:**

- ❖ Gifts are placed in an endowment fund of the Foundation, a nonprofit corporation established in 1961 to extend the life and work of Mayflower Church.
- ❖ The principal is invested to generate income, with the Foundation making grants from net earnings on the endowment.
- ❖ Grants fund projects or activities that further Mayflower's mission (*to transform individuals into a catalyst for justice through communion with God, education and action*) and vision (*to become a spiritual incubator that transforms people, resources, talents and passion into focused energy to achieve God's dream of justice on earth.*)

### **What kind of gifts do the Church and Foundation accept?**

- ❖ Cash
- ❖ Publicly traded stocks
- ❖ Many kinds of real estate

### **Important notes about making a gift**

- ❖ Your tax advisor or attorney can provide you with more information about contributing to Mayflower Church and/or Mayflower Foundation and the related tax benefits.
- ❖ If you wish to name Mayflower Church or Foundation in an obituary as a recipient of gifts in your memory, make sure that you have communicated your wishes to those closest to you.
- ❖ At your death, your gift can be made through your will, trust agreement, life insurance policy, or retirement account. Consult a qualified advisor to ensure your intentions are documented properly.

**To discuss a legacy gift to the Church or Foundation, contact the church office:**

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