



# Stanford Cardiovascular Institute Giving Opportunities



*We are all part of the equation*

“As heart disease remains the number one killer in developed countries, it is imperative that all disciplines of medicine and science work together to tackle this scourge. The Stanford Cardiovascular Institute is proud to be part of this effort; our members collaborate actively with investigators worldwide to integrate knowledge from diverse disciplines, with the goal of translating basic science discoveries into improved tools for cardiovascular disease detection, prevention and treatment.”

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The Stanford Cardiovascular Institute (CVI) stands at the front line in the battle against heart disease. It is home to myriad cardiovascular-related research, clinical, and educational programs. Its centers and laboratories support more than 500 basic scientists, clinician scientists, students, and other researchers who all share a common mission: lifting the burden of cardiovascular disease.

Private philanthropy is essential to realize this mission. Recent reductions in federal funding opportunities mean that private support plays a more critical role than ever before. Visionary donors can help create a world where heart disease will no longer be a life-limiting factor for countless individuals and families who are affected every year. Gifts at every level enhance Stanford’s ability to deliver the best cardiovascular care program and serve as a catalyst in advancing biomedical innovation.

Every gift helps the CVI recruit and retain the best and brightest scientists and physicians, and enables them to conduct the most innovative research in a collaborative and interdisciplinary environment. Philanthropy makes a difference by supporting critical academic positions and research in the fight against the number-one killer of people in the world today.



## Giving Opportunities

These gift opportunities make our benefactors partners in the promising research taking place at the CVI. These gifts would provide a crucial source of support, creating a lasting legacy at Stanford.

### INVESTING IN THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST

DIRECTOR'S FUND FOR THE CVI ..... \$5 MILLION (ENDOWMENT)

The success of the Cardiovascular Institute depends on strong, steady leadership. A directorship endowed in perpetuity would provide the stability the program needs to grow and thrive. Deeper collaborations across disciplines, departments, and schools would be possible. The endowment would enable the director to drive the vision of the CVI, as well as pursue his or her own investigations. This gift could be named to recognize the donor or someone the donor wishes to honor.

PROFESSORSHIP ..... \$4 MILLION (ENDOWMENT)

Endowed professorships are the highest honor the university can bestow upon a faculty member. Established as permanent funds that provide an annual payout, they play a vital role in recruiting and retaining world-renowned scholars and educators and will help ensure that the institute continues to lead major advances in research and treatment.

FACULTY SCHOLAR FUND ..... \$2 MILLION (ENDOWMENT)

Endowed faculty scholar funds recognize, honor, encourage, and support outstanding junior faculty members in the early stages of their careers. Income from faculty scholar endowments pays the holders' salaries and may provide additional support for research and travel costs, allowing them to pursue high-risk, high-reward research.

JUNIOR FACULTY FELLOWSHIP AND RESEARCH FUND ..... \$2 MILLION (ENDOWMENT) OR  
\$250,000 PER YEAR (EXPENDABLE)

Recruiting and supporting junior faculty are critical to achieve the goals of the CVI and develop the next generation of physician scientists. This gift would provide resources for start-up costs and funds for research, including fellowships in important areas such as genomics, cellular and molecular biology, imaging, bioengineering, population science, and sex differences in heart disease.

CVI SEED GRANTS ..... \$250,000 PER YEAR (EXPENDABLE)

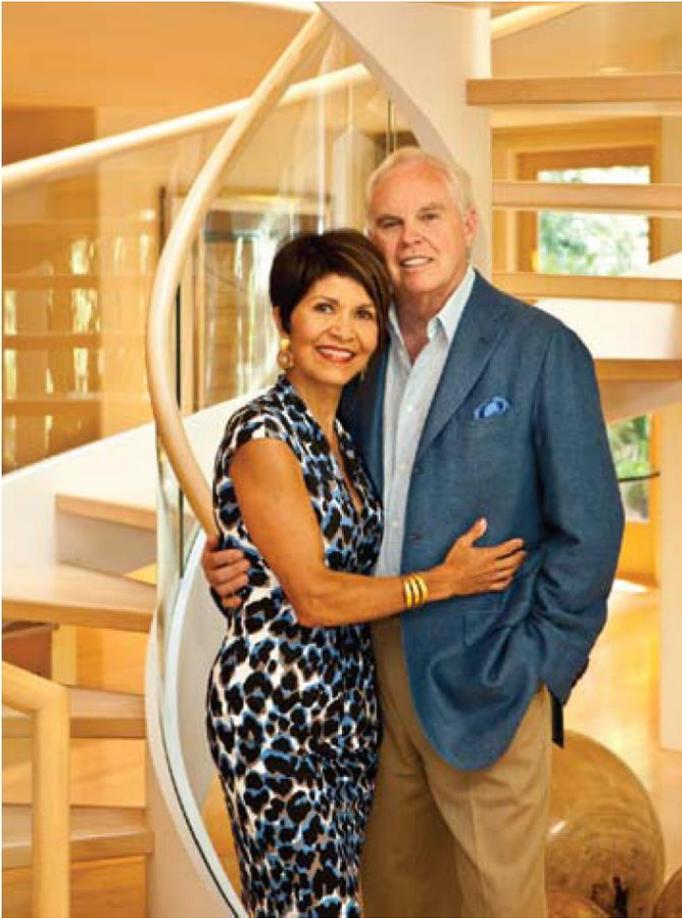
CVI seed grants support innovative research that has the potential to improve diagnosis, treatment, or prevention. Data obtained from previous seed grants have already contributed to over \$10 million dollars in federal and foundation funds. This is a unique opportunity to support investigators who are pioneering the future of cardiovascular research.

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP FUND ..... \$1 MILLION (ENDOWMENT) OR  
\$125,000 PER YEAR (EXPENDABLE)

Postdoctoral fellowships provide specialized multi-year training in basic science and clinical medicine, creating the next generation of physician scientists who are making important crossovers between disciplines. This funding engages medical students and residents in the process of scientific inquiry that leads to deeper understanding and their ability to advance biomedical innovation at Stanford.

GRADUATE SCHOLAR FUND ..... \$1 MILLION (ENDOWMENT) OR  
\$125,000 PER YEAR (EXPENDABLE)

Graduate student support is an essential component of faculty-led basic research teams. This fund would provide support to graduate students pursuing a PhD. By supporting talented young investigators, the CVI cultivates their exploration as they apply breakthroughs in research to the prevention and treatment of cardiovascular disease.



ALMA AND MARVIN BURKETT, PICTURED IN THEIR SILICON VALLEY HOME, MADE A GENEROUS GIFT TO HELP PHYSICIAN-SCIENTISTS BETTER UNDERSTAND AND DEVELOP NEW TREATMENTS FOR CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA.

## Giving Opportunities, continued

### SUPPORTING WORLD-CLASS RESEARCH ARRHYTHMIA INNOVATION FUNDS

The Stanford Cardiac Arrhythmia Program is investing in promising research so that new discoveries and prototypes can be translated more quickly into potential cures and therapies. Donors can provide critical support to cutting edge research, particularly the development of innovative approaches, including less invasive treatments and more reliable implant devices. Philanthropy enables support for a team-centered approach that makes dynamic interdisciplinary connections possible. Transforming and expanding this team will open up critical avenues of research and create new partnerships and funding resources.

#### SENIOR ENGINEER \$1,000,000 (EXPENDABLE)

Funding at this level would permit Dr. Paul Wang to recruit a senior engineer, which would markedly accelerate research advances and build the capabilities of the prototype development team. This team would help engage other resources within Stanford, bringing about collaborative approaches that would leverage the exceptional capabilities of Stanford engineering faculty.

#### JUNIOR ENGINEER AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW \$500,000 (EXPENDABLE)

Funding at this level would provide support for a junior engineer and postdoctoral fellow, allowing sufficient time for the most promising projects to reach fruition, enabling continuity of scientific advancement. More robust device development and research results will provide greater opportunities and help secure supplemental funding through granting agencies and industry-sponsored projects.

#### JUNIOR ENGINEER \$250,000 (EXPENDABLE)

Funding at this level would sustain and advance medical device innovation through the Arrhythmia Program. This would enable Dr. Wang to transition the current postdoctoral fellow on his team to a junior engineer position and provide the necessary resources to pursue a larger range of projects in greater depth. This team will play a central role in helping Dr. Wang plan and execute his most exciting innovation projects.



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