

Endowment Support

YOU CAN HAVE A **LASTING IMPACT** ON IMPROVING HUMAN HEALTH

“Today’s limited federal funding for biomedical research has put scientists and institutions under great pressure. Because endowments provide a guaranteed source of funding, they allow researchers, faculty, and students to amplify their research and take on riskier enterprises.”



Steve Artandi, MD, PhD

Laurie Kraus Lacob Director of the Stanford Cancer Institute and the Jerome and Daisy Low Gilbert Professor

“Philanthropy is critical in today’s academic environment. Given diminishing research funding, endowed professorships allow faculty to perform high-risk, high-reward clinical work and research that moves our field forward, and more importantly, benefits our patients and the public at large.”



Electron Kebebew, MD, FACS

The Harry A. Oberhelman, Jr., and Mark L. Welton Professor

Breakthroughs in understanding, detecting, and curing disease begin with research and education. By establishing an endowed fund, you enable ongoing, dependable financial support to advance biomedical discoveries, innovations in patient care, and training of future leaders in medicine for generations to come.

What is an endowment?

An endowment is an enduring gift to Stanford Medicine that provides sustainable funding to support the areas of medicine most important to you. Such gifts are held in perpetuity, and a portion of the endowed fund is disbursed annually for use. Endowment funds can accelerate research that may lead to a cure for a debilitating disease, provide crucial support to recruit or retain the best and brightest physician-scientists, and help launch the careers of students in medicine and the biosciences. Though the amount needed to create an endowed fund varies depending on its purpose, the connection created between your named gift and the holder’s work or a particular program is unwavering.

Faculty and Leadership Endowments

The faculty and leaders at Stanford Medicine are shaping the future of medicine, driving biomedical discovery, and creating new possibilities for human health. Their ability to make the greatest impact relies on the freedom to pursue their most creative, innovative work. Faculty and leadership endowments provide that freedom.

Professorship | \$6 million

Endowed professorships are the highest academic honor Stanford can bestow, recognizing our most distinguished faculty and their enduring contributions to science and medicine. Professorships provide salary and research support and give the holder the security to invest in the most promising work, paths that might not otherwise be pursued. This sustained source of funding allows leaders to plan ahead and build their teams—to recruit new talent to Stanford Medicine and to retain the existing physician-scientists who are making transformational discoveries that improve human health.

Directorship | \$5 million or more

Successful, thriving programs require strong, steady, visionary leadership. Endowed directorships are held by leaders of critical programs who are driving innovations in important and promising areas. A named directorship provides the stability and resources many programs need to advance their vision and explore deeper collaborations across disciplines, departments, and schools.

Faculty Scholar | \$4 million

Faculty Fellow | \$3 million

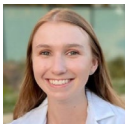
Endowed faculty awards for early career investigators are an investment in rising faculty talent—assistant or associate professors—who hold great promise in their fields of endeavor and as future leaders. These awards help propel the programs and careers of highly innovative and creative physicians and scientists who may not yet have the track record to compete for

“As I adapted to a new world after migrating from Ecuador to Minnesota, my mom was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma. My mom’s perseverance motivated me to push through difficulties I have faced and taught me to be compassionate while helping others. I hope supporters of Stanford Medicine find satisfaction to know that their donations are helping empower women like me to make a lasting impact in health care.”



Norma Jimenez Ramirez
Medical Student

“In the short time I have been here, I have been fortunate to expand my scientific knowledge and challenge my thinking. I am thoroughly enjoying my time as a PhD student at Stanford, and I am deeply grateful for my fellowship in making this experience possible.”



Colette Benko
Developmental Biology
PhD Student

government grants. Faculty Scholar awards provide the flexibility to support associate and assistant professor faculty. Faculty Fellow awards are for assistant professors.

Student and Training Endowments

The future of human health rests on the shoulders of a new generation of voraciously curious young minds. By removing burdensome student debt, and securing and expanding guaranteed funding for PhD candidates, there is no limit to what our students and trainees will be able to achieve—and no limit to their impact on humanity.

Postdoctoral Fellowship | \$2 million

Our postdoctoral fellows have chosen Stanford as the best place for advanced training in their field. During this critical period, these scientists are beginning to set their own research direction under the guidance of a faculty mentor. An endowed postdoctoral fellowship adds resources and prestige to their position, enhancing Stanford’s ability to nurture and recruit outstanding investigators. Sustained funding gives them the freedom to concentrate on their research, rather than on seeking additional financial support.

Graduate Fellowship | \$2 million

Graduate students perform and drive much of the scientific research conducted at Stanford. They represent the future of scientific discovery and innovative treatments. These endowed funds help attract top biosciences scholars from around the world by fully covering their early years of training. At most institutions, PhD students must rely on their faculty advisors’ grants for financial support. But at Stanford, philanthropic-driven funds allow these brilliant young minds to follow their passions and develop the ideas that will fuel their discoveries for years to come. Stanford University is currently offering to match gifts of \$1.5 million, providing \$500,000 in matching funds to enable donors to fully endow and name a graduate fellowship.

MD Scholarship | \$300K minimum

As a world leader in medical education, Stanford strives to ensure that the most capable students have the resources they need to pursue a rigorous medical education in the field of their choice. Our goal is simple: to eliminate medical school debt and give students the freedom to pursue their passions in medicine, regardless of their financial circumstances. Endowed medical scholarships make medical school affordable by providing sustained funding.

Clinical Fellowship | Gift amounts vary depending on program

Clinical fellowships provide the opportunity for physicians in a variety of primary specialties to obtain sub-specialty training. These fellowships prepare physicians to become skilled clinicians and academic leaders by providing hands-on clinical instruction, teaching experience, and guidance in research methodology.

“It is the wisdom, compassion, and profound support from philanthropy that has made Contemplation By Design a Stanford program and a broad resource that serves thousands of people each year.”



Tia Rich, PhD

Director, Contemplation by Design

Research and Program Endowments

Gift amounts vary depending on program

Donors can have a significant impact on advancing selected areas of research and treatment, as well as entire programs, at Stanford Medicine through the establishment of endowed funds. Such enduring, yet flexible, support is vital to empowering researchers with the ability to predict, prevent, and cure precisely.

Please Join Us in Creating the Future of Medicine and Health

By creating sustained philanthropic support through an endowed gift, you have the unique opportunity to advance medicine and health in an area that is most important to you—eternally linking your philanthropy with advancements in that field. Endowed funds forever symbolize the important relationship between philanthropist and the university, creating a legacy that will enable advances in research, education, and patient care that can impact the world.

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