This is what a legacy looks like.

Community Builders
Legacy Society

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COMMUNITY BUILDERS
Our Legacy Society honors the generous and forward-thinking people who provide a future gift to establish or add to a grantmaking fund of the Community Foundation. Membership is our way of acknowledging today and forever that commitment to our shared future.

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The Legacy of Frank and Margaret Spain
Frank and Margaret Spain had a vision of what their beloved city could be. They saw the potential of bringing the University of Alabama Medical Center to what was then a bustling center for manufacturing. As two of UAB’s earliest benefactors, they worked during their lifetime to prepare for a future when the skyline would include more skyscrapers than smokestacks.

Frank and Margaret Spain were known during their lifetime as supporters of education. Today, through the Spain Fund, children in pre-school programs enter kindergarten ready for success. And youngsters in elementary grades get the tutoring and mentoring they need to raise their grades in reading and math.

Their support for UAB continues too. In 2011, thanks to the Spain Fund and other Community Funds, we made a grant to complete the buildout of the Innovation Depot.

Forty years after the Spain Fund was established in 1972 with a $3 million bequest, this endowment has grown to $20 million, while awarding more than $32 million in strategic grants to nonprofits across our five counties.
Timeline of Key Community Foundation Gifts and Grants

1960s
- First Donor Advised Fund
- First unrestricted gift (from Gaby Savage Baldwin)
- First discretionary grant to School Lunch Initiative
- Leveraged Mott Foundation grant for Community School Initiative

1970s
- $3 million unrestricted bequest (from Margaret and Frank Spain)
- First Children’s Zoo at Birmingham Zoo
- Start of Ruffner Mountain Nature Center

1980s
- Created Food Bank
- UAB Business & Engineering Building
- Gateway expansion

1990s
- The Women’s Fund established
- Leadership in public-private partnership to create McWane Science Center
- Established what is now Alabama Association of Nonprofits
- Supported visioning process across region
- First tornado recovery effort & creation of Emergency Response Fund for local needs

2000s
- Established Charitable Real Estate Foundation
- $1 million grant to Children’s Hospital
- $1 million grant to Shelby Biomedical Research Building
- Hurricane Katrina evacuee relief
- $1 million seed grant & leadership in Three Parks Initiative
- Established Alabama School Readiness Alliance & created Blueprint for School Readiness
- Leadership role in Health Action Partnership
- Led Yes We Can! Birmingham Initiative & established Birmingham Education Foundation
- Created Community Catalyst Funds as new resource for transformational projects
- Created & funded Housing Stability Fund in response to recession

2010s
- Created Results Framework for focused grantmaking & evaluation
- Supported Blueprint Birmingham for Birmingham Business Alliance
- Leveraged $14 million in national grants to address community health issues
- Leveraged $500,000 federal grant to expand housing for the homeless
- First Community Catalyst Fund investment in Prize2theFuture idea contest & partnership with City of Birmingham to develop Prize site
- Leader in coordinating funders for statewide tornado recovery through Alabama Tornado Recovery Fund
- $10 million gift established Women’s Breast Health Fund
- Key partner in leveraging $10 million in federal TIGER grant
**Why Community Builders Give**

**Larry Thornton Sr.**

“Everything we have comes from the community one way or the other, bottom line,” says Larry Thornton. “It only makes sense to give back to that community. How can you outgive the community, because it just keeps coming back?”

He is using a future gift through an insurance policy to make sure he can be part of serving community needs forever through the Community Foundation. This is just one part of his overall giving plan, which includes provisions for his family and other charities, including his alma mater, Alabama State University.

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**Anne Wilkerson Torrence**

Anne Wilkerson Torrance was an enthusiastic hiker, always ready to head out into new territory. She has been gone now for more than four decades, but family members are sure she would love the Three Parks Initiative and appreciate the fact that her 1970 bequest helped to support the creation of Red Mountain Park and Railroad Park and expansion of Ruffner Mountain Nature Center.

As the daughter of one of Birmingham’s early settlers, Judge William Warren Wilkerson, she continues to have her hands on great opportunities to drive positive change in our community.

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**Mary Lib and Charles Lupton**

Mary Lib Rand Lupton and Charles H. Lupton Jr. grew up in North Carolina and Virginia, but they made a life in Birmingham, where they came in 1955. They honored their love for their longtime home and for the environment with estate gifts to the Community Foundation and the Southern Environmental Law Center following the death of Dr. Lupton in 2000 and Mary Lib Lupton in 2010.

As their daughter said, the Luptons liked to focus their giving where they could feel they made a difference and to choose organizations that had proven effective. Through a Field of Interest Fund at the Community Foundation, they are supporting education and the environment forever.

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**Driving Positive Change**

Thanks to legacies from Community Builders and support from current donors, we are working on four Results our community wants for itself, supporting strategies like these:

**Children are successful along the education pipeline.** A Community Foundation grant to support English Second Language Preschool programs at area YMCAs makes it possible for more Shelby County students to participate and to show improvements in key measurements of kindergarten readiness.

**People can lead healthy lives.** Improving access to care is proving to be a successful strategy for patients at M-Power Ministries, which used a Community Foundation grant to establish a long-term primary care clinic for indigent clients with chronic health problems such as diabetes and hypertension.

**Communities are sustainable, livable and vibrant.** In the heart of downtown Birmingham, innovators and entrepreneurs find a great place to get their start at Innovation Depot. The Community Foundation was an early investor in this nationally-acclaimed incubator and in 2011 provided critical funding to build out space for more companies to flourish and boost our local economy.

**Individuals and families are economically secure.** With the flexibility of our Community Funds to meet pressing needs, we created the Housing Stability Fund to help families stay in their homes during the recent recession. We also set aside $200,000 to help individuals, families and communities recover after tornadoes devastated Alabama in 2011.