

# Named Endowment Funds

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The Cabbage Patch  
Settlement House, Inc.

## A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

### Edgar and Doris Ritchie Fund

Volunteering with The Cabbage Patch is baked into Gail Henson's DNA. Her mother, Doris, began volunteering in the early 1940s. She followed in her mother's footsteps in the 1960s and her daughter, Elizabeth, followed her example in the 1990s.

Gail strengthened her connection with The Patch by serving on the Board of Directors. "It was a privilege to serve as a member of the board in the 1990s, and that deepened my love for its mission."

For almost 50 years, Gail taught communications at Bellarmine University and the University of Louisville. She found ways to intermingle her career as a communicator and her passion for The Patch, writing entries on The Cabbage Patch for "The Encyclopedia of Louisville" and "The Kentucky Encyclopedia."

The Edgar and Doris Ritchie fund was established in 2016 to honor the legacy of Gail's parents. The fund supports the overall mission of The Patch, providing ongoing income that sustains our transformational work with children and families. It is a fitting tribute to her parents, according to Gail. "This fund was a special and lasting way to honor our parents' belief that faith and action come together through service," she said.

"The mission, programs, the transformations in the lives of children and families, plus the faith-centered values continue to inspire," Gail shared. "Starting a named fund has been a way for me to make a lasting impact on the work and mission of The Patch while honoring my parents."



*Gail Henson and her family*

### Establish a named fund...make a profound difference!

The Cabbage Patch's endowment funds are an extremely important income source. Since we do not receive government funding and are not a Metro United Way member agency, we must raise sufficient funds annually to provide life-changing programs for children and their families.



## Building Preservation Endowment Funds

Environment shapes behavior. Clean, attractive, and well-maintained facilities send a message to those we serve that they are valued and are deserving of good things in their lives. It also sets an example we hope will be emulated in their homes.

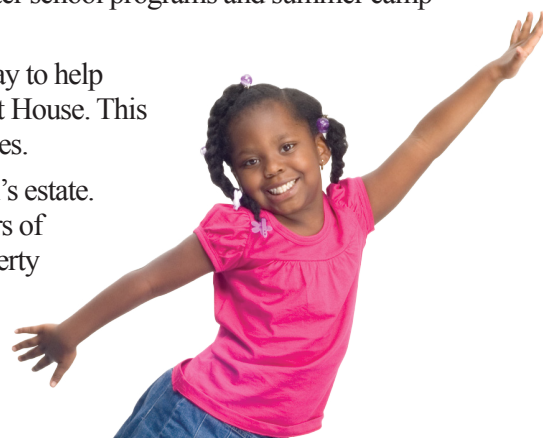
- **Louis O. Giesel, Sr.**: Established in 2013 by his family in loving memory of Louis O. Giesel, Sr., who grew up in the Magnolia Street neighborhood and was a Sunday School pupil of our founder, Miss Louise Marshall. This fund was given to help ensure that future generations of children and families will have a place that always welcomes them and gives them a place to explore their potential.
- **Spencer Harper, Jr. Memorial**: Established in 2017 in loving memory of Spencer Harper, Jr. by his wife, Carol Sharpe Harper. The Harper's legacy perpetuates the safe haven of The Patch, where children can learn and discover who God created them to become. As a home away from home for at-risk youth, The Patch is a place that inspires pride. Children learn to care for their environment thanks to the Harper's generosity.
- **Snyder Family**: Established in 2020 by Chip and Susan Snyder. If these walls could talk... we would hear laughter, a few tears, and always Miss Marshall reminding us to share God's love in all that we do. The Snyder's will ensure that the stories yet to be told will flourish in this safe haven for generations. The heart of The Patch is the people, and the building is the sanctuary that protects the love within.

## Overall Mission Support Endowment Funds

Cabbage Patch programs are based on meaningful relationships which instill Christian values and behaviors while enhancing self-esteem, teaching personal responsibility, and expanding horizons. Our goal is to help those we serve find long-term solutions that break the cycle of poverty.

**NEW** **Board of Directors**: Established in 2025 by The Cabbage Patch Board of Directors to inspire current and former board members to support our endowment program and demonstrate their commitment to the long-term sustainability and ultimate impact on our programs for generations to come.

- **Barbara and David Brewer**: Established in loving memory of Barbara Brewer (2021) and David Brewer (2022). Years ago, Barbara & David designated The Cabbage Patch as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy. Barbara was a longtime sewing school volunteer and board member who dearly loved the girls she taught, also inspiring her children to serve as summer camp counselors. Barbara believed that all children are beloved children of God and are full of potential and promise.
- **Joe Burks, Sr. and Lloyd "Pappy" Redman Memorial**: Established in 2016 in loving memory of Joe Burks, Sr. and Lloyd Redman, two servants of Christ who served as Cabbage Patch staff members and were lifelong advocates of its life-changing mission. Both these men wanted every child to know that God loves them and that their basic needs would be met, especially at Christmas time.
- **Crady Family**: Established in 2019 by Rob & Holly Crady with the firm conviction that every child deserves an opportunity to reach their greatest potential. It is their belief that the broad range of programs available at The Patch prepares children to be well prepared for life's challenges and opportunities. Having been a part of The Cabbage Patch for over 10 years, the Crady's have seen the difference made in so many young lives and have been inspired. They see this fund as a way to continue to make an impact.
- **Caroline Taylor Davis Memorial**: Established in 2019 in Caroline's memory through gifts made by Caroline's family members and friends. The fund will help support The Cabbage Patch's after school programs and summer camp opportunities for the inner-city children and families served by The Patch.
- **Cyrus "Russ" Day**: Established in 2013 in loving memory of Cyrus "Russ" Day to help provide financial support to the overall mission of The Cabbage Patch Settlement House. This fund will provide ongoing income which will enable us to profoundly change lives.
- **Mary Ann Coleman Duddy Memorial**: Established in 2018 by Mary Ann's estate. Both Mary Ann and her mother, Polly Porter Coleman, were long-time supporters of The Patch. The Duddy and Coleman family tradition of lifting the burden of poverty from at-risk children and families in their beloved Louisville will continue in perpetuity thanks to the generosity of Mary Ann. Her six children have continued this tradition by establishing this endowment in her name.



- **William G. Duncan, Junior Memorial:** Because Bill's "happy place" was his family's woodland cabin, his family and friends established this fund in 2019 to help children broaden their horizons. This fund will serve as a beacon of hope to children with big dreams who need to be given opportunities to maximize their potential by exploring God's wonderful creation and all the wonders it offers. Through this fund, Bill's legacy as a champion for children continues in perpetuity.
- **Friends of The Patch:** Established in 2019 by special friends of The Cabbage Patch in the hope that other Cabbage Patch friends will contribute to this fund. Many gifts will result in many lives being profoundly changed. This fund's initial donors believe that loving relationships change lives and futures, and that as disciples we are called to be the hands and feet of Christ, reaching out to those in need with grace and unconditional love.
- **Harold Hawkins:** Established in 2014 by The Cabbage Patch Board of Directors in recognition of Harold Hawkins' 12 years of commitment to the ministry of The Cabbage Patch as the Senior Manager-Finance and Accounting, and in honor of his retirement after 52 years in the finance and accounting profession.
- **J. Tracy Holladay:** Established in 2020 by The Cabbage Patch Board of Directors and other generous donors in recognition of Tracy's 36 years of service as Executive Director at The Cabbage Patch (1984-2020). Tracy's legacy of faithfulness, good stewardship and thoughtful leadership will forever impact The Cabbage Patch. The lives and futures of the many young people and families served during Tracy's ministry were blessed in profound ways.
- **Rev. Calvin Holloway:** Established in 2021 by the Board of Directors in honor of Calvin's 30 years of service at The Cabbage Patch. Calvin dedicated his life to helping families break the cycle of poverty by assisting them to find long-term solutions, while being a source of faith and hope in their lives; he also empowered the children of The Cabbage Patch to achieve their God-given potential.
- **NEW Yvonne "Tonette" Lewis Memorial:** Established in 2024 in loving memory of Tonette Lewis by her daughter, Frances Lewis. Tonette lived her life with warmth, grace, and boundless love she poured into the lives of all who knew her. She dedicated her life to caring for her children, instilling in them the values of kindness, resilience, the importance of family, and a love for God. She was her children's greatest advocate and encouraged their involvement at The Patch.
- **Longfield Fund:** Established in 2022. Honoring four generations of family support & contributors to the beloved Cabbage Patch Settlement House.
- **Louise Marshall Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust:** Established in 1978 shortly before the death of Louise Marshall, founder of The Cabbage Patch. Miss Marshall established this trust to benefit her beloved Cabbage Patch and ensure that it would remain a vital ministry far beyond her lifetime.
- **Helen Dillon Mazzoli Memorial:** Established in 2015 by The Honorable Romano L. Mazzoli in loving memory of his beloved wife and best friend whose earthly life ended in 2012 but who lives on in The Patch kids whom this endowment will touch for the good.
- **Betsy McConnell Memorial:** Established in 2019 by Betsy's family in loving memory of her and her favorite mission. Betsy believed in the power of The Cabbage Patch – on its foundation of Christian values, faith and outreach – to change and improve individual lives and families through education and sports. She admired founder Miss Marshall and the disciplined and dedicated staff. She knew the life-changing power of volunteering, as she and both her children served as Cabbage Patch volunteers.
- **Theodore "Ted" Merhoff Memorial:** Established in 2015 by the V.V. Cooke Foundation in memory of Ted Merhoff and his enduring love for the children of The Cabbage Patch. Ted not only demonstrated servant leadership during his term as board president at The Patch, but he also shared his gentle humor and love of biking while serving as a chaperon on 100-mile bike trips with our youth.
- **Meyer Family:** Established in 2019 by Bill and Becky Meyer in recognition of the power of hope; both the power of hope found in God's unconditional love and saving grace, and the power of hope found when given opportunities to break out of poverty and discover who God has created you to become. This fund will support The Patch's mission of profoundly changing lives, both on earth and for eternity.
- **John and Lucy Milton Charitable Trust:** Established in 1968 by Mr. Milton, a pioneer in the automobile industry and a patent attorney. John Milton was a long-time friend of the Marshall family and member of Second Presbyterian Church.
- **Thames Castner Palmer-Ball Memorial:** Established in 2017 by her children in loving memory of Thames Castner Palmer-Ball. Thames lived her life sharing her many blessings through practical service. Her kind and quietly generous ways touched many lives. For years, Thames served as Secretary for The Cabbage Patch Board and shared her love of handwork by teaching sewing skills to girls at The Cabbage Patch.



- **Mark and Susan Pfeifer**: Established in 2020 by the Pfeifers with the belief that all children should have the opportunity to grow up in a caring community with educational and creative activities, strong role models, and individualized support.
- **Arthur and Marian Kummer Raderer**: Established in 2021 by Tom and Janet Raderer to honor Tom's parents and recognize the support provided by The Cabbage Patch to Marian and her siblings during their childhood. Art and Marian each had ties to The Cabbage Patch neighborhood through their upbringing at their church down the block. This fund is an expression of appreciation for the blessings afforded to children by The Patch over the years, trusting that like blessings will be shared with future generations.
- **John S. Rankin**: Established in 2013 in loving memory of John S. Rankin by his family. John was a long-time supporter and believed in the life-changing work of The Patch. He had a strong and steady faith and believed a key part of being a faithful disciple was caring for "the least of these."
- **Edgar and Doris Ritchie**: Established in 2016 to honor the legacy of Edgar and Doris Ritchie by their family to support the overall mission of The Cabbage Patch Settlement House. The Ritchies believed in the transformational opportunities for children and families at The Cabbage Patch. This fund will provide ongoing income that will enable us to change lives profoundly.
- **Jennifer L. Scott**: Established in 2021 by The Patch Board of Directors and her friends in honor of Jennifer's 30th anniversary of service. Former Executive Director, Tracy Holladay, said of her contribution to the mission, "Christ is at the center, love is at the heart, and like all faithful servants, she chooses to play her part." Jennifer's fundraising efforts will be sustained in perpetuity with this fund.
- **Jean Olive Smith (Mrs. S. Russell Smith, Sr.)**: Established in 2013 by her son, Raymond G. Smith, to help provide financial support to the overall mission of The Cabbage Patch Settlement House. This fund will provide ongoing income which will enable us to profoundly change lives.
- **Sharon Smith and James Mauch Family**: Established in 2019 in memory of Bee Mauch who dedicated her life to helping people recover from addictions. Achievement and a happy life are often a function of where you are born, who your parents are and the opportunities made available to you. The Patch teaches at-risk youth the skills required to take advantage of opportunities, navigate life successfully and provides a variety of experiences that help them discover who they are and what they can become. The Cabbage Patch levels the playing field.
- **Diane and Rick Steinrock Family**: Established in 2019 by Diane and Rick Steinrock with the firm conviction, and abiding faith, that Christ changes lives today and for eternity. The Steinrock's believe that every child of God deserves the opportunity to know the life-changing love of God through Christ. This fund will provide support for Christian education programs for children, youth and young adults.

## Recreation/Youth Development Endowment Funds

Individual potential is often underestimated. Our after school and summer programs "expand horizons" through classes/activities which equip and empower children and youth to be self-sufficient by helping them maximize their economic, educational, emotional, moral, physical, social, and spiritual potential.

- **The Cabbage Patch Circle Arts Endowment**: Established in 2006 when The Circle dissolved their non-profit status after 95 years of faithful service and support to The Cabbage Patch Settlement House. The Cabbage Patch Circle (one of Louisville's oldest "service auxiliaries") understood the impact of creative arts on the mind, soul and spirit, and wanted to ensure that future generations were able to participate in a variety of arts programs at The Patch.
- **Nancy Jane Cassis**: Established in 2018 to provide proven programs and activities that equip and empower at-risk children and youth to be self-sufficient by helping them maximize their economic, education, emotional, moral, physical, social and spiritual potential.
- **Dohrman/ Taylor Family Foundation**: Established in 2013 with a belief that we are all called to be responsible stewards of God's creation and that nature provides an amazing place for people to explore, experience life and learn. The diverse programs offered at The Patch in their outdoor and summer camping programs help children and youth "expand their horizons" by leaving the city limits and experiencing the joy and wonder of God's creation.
- **Giesel Family**: Established in 2013 by the family in loving memory of Norma and Louis O. Giesel, Jr., in support of the many and varied opportunities offered by The Cabbage Patch. This fund was established so children at The Cabbage Patch can learn and grow, experience new opportunities, see new sights and discover who God has created them to be.

- **Elizabeth “Bunch” Sanders Griffin**: Established in 2015 in loving memory of Elizabeth “Bunch” Griffin. Bunch believed in giving ALL children the opportunity to experience the beauty of God’s creation through outdoor summer camp, where memories and friendships are created and often last a lifetime. Bunch’s children hope these camp experiences expand every child’s horizons and sense of exploration, cultivating their God-given gifts of joy and wonder.
- **Kunau Family**: Established in 2013, The Kunau Family Youth Development Fund was established to ensure that the youth of The Cabbage Patch continue to encounter exceptional activities that build self-confidence, respect, discipline and resilience while making memories for The Patch kids and staff. The Patch is a place where hope is nurtured, children are affirmed, God is present and lives are changed.
- **NEW Love and Grace**: Established in 2024 in recognition of the rich Christian heritage of The Patch and to provide the love and grace of Jesus to future generations of Patch children, this fund is given to support the varied programs of faith formation provided by The Patch. The Love and Grace Fund provides an introduction to the love of Christ to every person, affirming that life changing opportunities come from knowing you are a beloved child of God, perfectly and wonderfully made in His image.
- **Lloyd “Pappy” Redman**: Established in 2000 in honor of Pappy Redman, a staff member for much of the 1940’s. Pappy was particularly influential in establishing thriving sports programs at The Cabbage Patch. Pappy believed the comprehensive programming and strong discipline practiced by The Patch had life-changing impacts on the lives of children and youth.
- **Caroline Price Reid**: Established in 2012 in loving memory of Caroline Reid by her family. Caroline Reid was a great friend and supporter of The Cabbage Patch and its programs. This fund has been created to help support extracurricular programming in the arts, athletics, and leadership development. These Cabbage Patch programs provide new learning opportunities, enhance physical well-being, and help children and youth be self-sufficient.
- **Polly Williams**: Established in Polly’s memory in 2013 through gifts made by her family members. For several years Polly coordinated a group of women from St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church to teach art classes. An accomplished artist herself, Polly catered to this effort with her inherent talents and truly loved getting to know the children. Quick to praise each child’s work and help strengthen their confidence in abilities and potential, Polly served as a monumental figure in their lives.

## Educational Opportunities Endowment Funds

Education is the great equalizer in life and is a key ingredient to breaking the cycle of poverty. As Roosevelt Chin, a long-time staff member of The Cabbage Patch said, “You don’t work your way out of poverty, you educate your way out.”

- **Mrs. James (Edith) Breed**: Established in 1999 in loving memory of Edith by The Cabbage Patch Board of Directors. Mrs. Breed was an avid supporter of The Cabbage Patch and served as President of the Board of Directors for three terms.
- **Alex J. Burch Memorial**: Established in 1995 in loving memory of Alex who was tragically killed in an automobile accident. Alex liked to work and would have really rather worked than go to school, but he also recognized the value of an education. This fund was established through the money Alex had saved toward his college education.
- **Nancy Jane Cassis**: Established in 2021, the ultimate purpose of this endowment is to break the cycle of poverty and empower the at-risk children of The Cabbage Patch to achieve their God-given potential.
- **Roosevelt Chin**: Established in 1998 in honor of Mr. Chin’s 50 years of involvement at The Cabbage Patch. Mr. Chin devoted his entire life to the welfare and development of the inner-city children and families served by The Cabbage Patch.
- **Clay Family**: Established in 2013 by Richard H.C. Clay and Elizabeth F. Clay and their children in gratitude for the gifts of God, for the transformative work performed by The Cabbage Patch, and in recognition of the deep and abiding value of education.
- **Joan Cralle Day**: Established in 1997 in support of the life-changing work done at The Cabbage Patch and in recognition of the importance of education in breaking the cycle of poverty.



- **Otis H. “Deacon” Ellis:** Established in 2004 in memory of Otis H. “Deacon” Ellis, who worked as many as three jobs at once while putting himself through college and law school. He later gave the gift of a college education to his three children so they could concentrate on their studies, and provided financial help to others as well. This continues his spirit.
- **Fields Family Memorial:** Established in 1992 through a bequest made by Dr. Fields. In 2012, additional gifts were added in memory of Mrs. Fields. Dr. Fields was a long-time board member (1984 to 1990) and served as President of the Board of Directors for two terms. Dr. and Mrs. Fields were long-time supporters and strong believers in the mission of The Cabbage Patch. Their daughter, Julia, has continued to support the fund through annual gifts.
- **Marea and William Gardner Foundation:** Established in 1996 in memory of William Gardner and in honor of Marea Gardner. The Gardner family believes in the importance of education and the role it plays in shaping futures.
- **Dorothy Gauss Foundation:** Established in 2017 and inspired by family matriarch Dorothy, who demonstrated that education is the ultimate adventure. After receiving a scholarship to attend a new two year Episcopalian teachers college in Boise, Idaho, she rode a horse to teach at a one-room schoolhouse in the countryside. This pioneering scholar was in the first graduating class from what eventually grew into Boise State University. When you invest in education, you change lives for generations.
- **Gill Family:** Established in 2020. Knowledge opens doors to so many of the possibilities the world offers, possibilities that, when paired with good work and persistence, really do result in victory – in any pursuit. The Gill Family Fund continues the commitment of Robert E. and Virginia G. Gill to helping young people achieve their victories so they can end up, each in his or her own way, on top of the world.
- **Kim Hazelwood Glass:** Established in 2013, this fund supports the life-changing, purpose-driven education programs offered by The Patch year-round to at-risk children. The first priority of the fund is to provide needed financial scholarships to bridge the gap between a student’s available resources and his or her remaining financial need. Through scholarships and programs, recipients of the fund are empowered to be self-sufficient, maximize their true potential, and ultimately, break the cycle of poverty in our community.
- **Kim Hazelwood Glass Memorial:** Established in 2014 by K. Norman Berry Associates Architects and other professional friends and colleagues in loving memory of Kim Hazelwood Glass. Kim may have been small in stature, but she had a big heart and wonderful architectural skills. Her tenacity and “can do” spirit was an inspiration to all around her. Part of her enduring legacy are the many buildings and spaces she designed, which beautify and bless the lives of many people. Kim is greatly missed, but she impacted the lives of all who knew her through her professional skills and personal warmth.
- **Kim and Myra Lee Glass:** Established in 2015 by friends at the Virginia Chance School in loving memory of Kim Glass and in honor of her daughter, Myra Lee. Kim and Myra Lee shared the traits of creativity and curiosity about the world, as well as their love for reading and learning. The Chance School, Kim and Myra Lee all understood that each individual reaches his/her educational, social and emotional potential through experiences and opportunities. This fund will assure those opportunities for at-risk children.
- **Wood and Marie Hannah Foundation:** Established in 2013 with a belief that an investment in a child today can change the world tomorrow. Every child deserves the opportunity to follow their dreams, but often they need the tools to make achievement possible and maximize their potential.
- **Mildred Horn Foundation:** Established in 2000 in support of capable inner-city young people striving toward a brighter future through education.
- **John Fenton Kottkamp Memorial:** Established in 2015 in loving memory of John Fenton Kottkamp, this fund honors Fenton’s legacy through educational opportunities for at-risk youth. Given by his friends who were touched by Fenton’s joy for life and love of family and friends, this fund is a beacon of hope that shines out of tragic circumstances. Just as Fenton’s warm, loving presence brought light to his loved ones’ lives, his fund illuminates the path to success for young people who dare to follow their dreams.
- **Kurfees-Buchanan Memorial:** Established in 1986 in memory of Billie Clair Kurfees; 2006 in memory of Don Kurfees (Past President of the Board) and 2011 in memory of Don Buchanan (husband of Karen Kurfees Buchanan and past board member); in recognition of their devotion to education and belief that it can change lives.



- **Lawler Family**: Established in 2005 in recognition of the many doors a good education will open.
- **R. W. & Maggie T. Marshall**: Established in 2006 by The Marshall Charitable Foundation, Inc. in honor of its founders Robert W. and Maggie T. Marshall. They felt that education is the best possible investment in the future.
- **Moisan Family**: Established in 2003 by Len, GiGi, Dan, David and Sara Moisan in recognition of the power of education and God's saving grace, which changes lives forever.
- **W. Rodney Napier**: Established in 2011 by the Board of Directors in recognition of Rod's ("Mr. Napier") thirty years of service at The Cabbage Patch and his vision and work to establish The Cabbage Patch's formal Educational Opportunities program. Rod began his love for The Patch as a participant in 1955 where he benefited from the programs and was encouraged to go to college as a young man. Rod retired from The Patch after 38 years of service.
- **James Paton, III**: Established in 2001 in loving memory of Jim and his belief in the power of education. Jim firmly believed that education changes lives and expands minds. For more than 20 years, Jim served as Chairman of the English Department at Grove City College in Pennsylvania. He loved seeing students grasp new ideas, think new thoughts and catch a vision for their future.
- **Porcini/Farmer Children's Foundation**: Established in 2014 by The Porcini/Farmer Children's Foundation with the belief that every child has great potential. Education provides a roadmap, helping prepare young people for life's challenges, and providing a foundation to achieve their dreams and reach their goals and aspirations.
- **Caroline Price Reid**: Established in 2012 in loving memory of Caroline Reid by her family. Caroline Reid was a great friend and supporter of The Cabbage Patch and its programs. She appreciated the profound difference an education can make in an individual's life.
- **Rotary Clubs of Louisville**: Established in 1996 from a portion of the proceeds made from their annual auction, which focused on helping children have success in school.
- **Sanders Family**: Established in 2020. Mr. Roosevelt Chin was famous for saying, "You don't work your way out of poverty, you educate your way out." It is with that philosophy in mind that the purpose of this fund is to help at-risk children pursue their dream of a college education.
- **Luke and Sharon Schmidt**: Established in 2019 to support The Cabbage Patch students and their pursuit of higher education at the University of Kentucky. We support this initiative, which builds upon what Mr. Chin used to say, "You don't work your way out of poverty, you educate your way out."
- **Scholtz Family**: Established in 2007 in support of the life-changing work of The Cabbage Patch and the belief that, "You don't work your way out of poverty, you educate your way out of poverty."
- **Dennie Schrecker Memorial**: Established in 2008 in loving memory of Dennie Schrecker by many friends. Dennie knew that education changes lives and expands minds. Having grown up at The Patch, Dennie knew first-hand that the programs of The Patch could profoundly change the lives of children.
- **Martin Sweets Memorial**: Established in 1996 through memorial gifts made by the many friends of Martin Sweets. Mr. Sweets was a long-time board member of The Cabbage Patch. He was a man of great faith and believed that God's grace and a good education could make all things possible.



### **Steps Needed:**

- If establishing during a lifetime, a \$20,000 minimum gift is required (may be paid over two years)
- Sign a Fund Information form
- Work with staff to determine fund name, purpose and description

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- **Frances Jones and Robert Jordan Theobald**: Established in 2007 by Anne Theobald Boyd in memory of her parents, Frances Jones Theobald and Robert Jordan Theobald, who had great faith and a strong belief that a good education can change a life forever.
- **NEW Ed and Lisa Thompson Family Foundation**: Inspired by Benjamin Franklin's words, "Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn," Ed and Lisa Thompson are advocates for the transformative power of education in enhancing individuals, families, and communities. Founded in 2024, the Thompson Family Fund aspires for every student to embrace education as a journey toward becoming lifelong learners and mentors, dedicated to giving back to society.
- **James and Dee Thornton**: Established in 2019 in recognition that all children deserve the opportunity to follow their dreams and pursue the education needed to attain them.
- **Wells, Mapother, and Rankin Families**: Established in 2020, this family fund honors the fact that every child is a child of God and is deserving of the opportunity to maximize their potential. It reflects a multi-generational commitment by the Wells, Mapother and Rankin families to the children of The Patch. This tradition of giving empowers young people through education and career readiness.
- **William E. Whaley, III**: Established in 1998 in loving memory of Bill by his family. Mr. Whaley's family has a long history of support and involvement at The Cabbage Patch. Bill served in the Vietnam War where he gave his life for his country.
- **Coretta and Stephen Wolford Family**: Established in 2017 by Coretta and Stephen Wolford to provide life-changing opportunities for young people to participate in national and/or international travel; to pursue educational goals; and ultimately, to secure fulfilling vocations through The Cabbage Patch Career Center.

We are a local nonprofit, empowering children, youth, and families to reach their full potential since 1910. Our mission is to provide life-changing academic, recreational, and mentoring opportunities through Christ-centered values.



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