

# THE LEGACY FUND

Celebrate United Methodist Women! 150 Years and Counting...



United Methodist Women has a rich legacy as a mission movement since 1869, and we are building for the next 150 years of service in God's mission on behalf of women, children and youth in communities down the street and around the world.

**Make your Legacy Fund gift today!**

Please retain for your records  
**Virginia Conference  
United Methodist Women  
My Legacy Fund gift:**



**Every member is encouraged to make a gift to The Legacy Fund of at least \$18.69 per year, over and above her Pledge to Mission, for five years (2015-2019).**

- \$1,869    \$500    \$300    \$200    \$50    \$18.69    Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 monthly    annually    beginning \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_ (month/year)

*Turning Faith, Hope and Love into Action since 1869.  
All donations tax-deductible. Give your Legacy Fund commitment form and your gift to your local United Methodist Women treasurer.*

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**Yes!** I want to celebrate United Methodist Women's 150th anniversary and help ensure we continue to put faith, hope and love into action for another 150 years.

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In honor / memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact me about including United Methodist Women in my **estate planning**.

Please contact me about the **major gift program**.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Conference: *Virginia Conference* District: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Frequently Asked Questions about The Legacy Fund / 150th Anniversary Celebration:



## Our Virginia Every Member Legacy Fund Goal:

That every member of  
United Methodist Women  
make a gift to  
The Legacy Fund  
of at least  
**\$18.69 per year,**  
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### What is The Legacy Fund?

- A key element of the 150th Anniversary celebration in 2019.
- A designated fund (endowment) of the national office of United Methodist Women. (Only interest can be expended.)

### What is the purpose of The Legacy Fund?

- To assure the continuation of ministries with women, children and youth, worldwide, into the next 150 years.
- To enable United Methodist Women to respond more adequately to new and emerging needs.
- To minimize the risk of severe budget fluctuation in years of recession, regional financial crisis, or change in giving by the membership.

### How will the funds be used?

- The total program of United Methodist Women is mission. Interest from The Legacy Fund will be added to Mission Giving funds to formulate the national budget of United Methodist Women. (Mission Giving is the largest source of that budget which includes grants to National Mission Institutions such as the Wesley Community Service Center in Portsmouth, international programs and projects, program resource production, training, and more.)

### Why should I give to The Legacy Fund?

- The Legacy Fund is OUR special anniversary gift to future United Methodist Women members and ministries.
- To “pass on” the legacy we have inherited. “To stake out our legacy for future generations.” (January 2015 response, page 3). Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India, is an outgrowth of the work of the first missionary of our organization. The College motto is: “We Receive to Give.”
- Because we believe in the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women and want our daughters, granddaughters, nieces and friends to share our sense of meaningful “sisterhood.”
- To be part of the joyous celebration in 2019 culminating 150 years of ministry.

### How does the money get to the National Office?

- Gifts are given to the local treasurer who sends the Legacy Fund money and commitment cards to the District treasurer following regular procedures. There is a line on the local treasurer Remittance form for The Legacy Fund.

### Does a Legacy Fund gift count for the individual or Unit Pledge to Mission Giving?

- No. This is a special additional gift to celebrate the 150th anniversary. In fact, it is critical that we sustain and even increase our Pledge to Mission Giving during this five year campaign; the needs have never been greater.

### How do we give? Annually? All at once? What about non-cash gifts?

- Each person can determine her schedule of giving; any schedule is appropriate.
- Non-cash gifts of stock, property, life insurance, etc., can be given through the United Methodist Women National Office. Contact the Treasurer’s office at 212-870-3740.



### How do I get a Legacy 150 pin?

- When you turn in a Commitment Card, you will receive a pin at your district annual meeting.

### For more information visit:

Virginia Conference United Methodist Women - [www.vaumw.org](http://www.vaumw.org)  
United Methodist Women National Office - [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/give](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/give)