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Your co-investment in our campaign priorities – ThriveOn Collaboration, early childhood care & education, housing, impact investing and flexible funds – will help us deepen our impact and create lasting change.

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Opportunities to support the Foundation’s catalytic campaign include:

THRIVEON COLLABORATION FUND: Help Milwaukee communities strengthen the building blocks needed to live healthy, thriving lives. Your gift can support and scale interrelated strategies centered on place, program and neighborhood, bringing to life a transformative, community-centered partnership between Milwaukee residents, the Foundation, the Medical College of Wisconsin and Royal Capital.

THRIVEON EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FUND: Children reach their full potential when all aspects of their development are optimally supported. A Foundation-commissioned study found that half of all Milwaukee children lack access to early childhood education, and families of color are disproportionately affected. In response, the Foundation launched the ECE Fund to support the expansion of existing high-quality centers to welcome more children. The fund also supports ECE providers’ professional development and advocacy for systems change.

HOUSING FUND: Safe, affordable and dignified housing is an essential contributor to strong families and strong communities. Support the Foundation’s work to help advance a citywide housing plan that seeks to increase Black and Latino homeownership, make more affordable rental units available and develop a diverse pipeline for appraisal careers.

IMPACT INVESTING FUND: Vibrant, economically thriving communities cultivate entrepreneurship, create jobs, and support creative development. In 2017, the Foundation began an impact investing program to complement traditional grantmaking. This fund invests in small businesses led by women and people of color with a goal of achieving both a social and financial return.

COMMUNITY GRANTS FUND: Empower the Foundation to respond to as-yet unanticipated opportunities to build a Milwaukee for all. This fund provides flexible grantmaking dollars to Foundation leaders and board members, allowing us to meet new challenges as well as to seize opportunities to advance innovative, community-centered solutions.

ESTABLISH A NAMED FUND: Create a charitable legacy for generations to come. Through your established fund, you can support named organizations or interest areas, or provide flexible support to the community now and forever. Choose from a designated fund, field of interest fund or unrestricted fund.

JOIN US

Building a Milwaukee for all takes all of Milwaukee. Please contact your dedicated staff liaison to learn how your investment will help our region thrive.