

Fulfilling the Church's Ministries

Now and for the Next Century



Endowment Fund Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2017





THE ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund of Country Club Christian Church was established as a permanent and perpetual fund on April 11, 1984, by resolution of the church's congregational board. A Declaration of Trust governing the maintenance, investment and administration of the assets of the Fund was adopted on that date and has been amended several times by the congregational board. The Fund is invested and administered by an elected Board of Trustees.

The Fund is dedicated to supporting the fulfillment and expansion of the Church's ministries and missions, including the maintenance of our historic buildings, today and for the next 100 years.

From the Senior Minister

Dear Friends,

Your gifts matter. Your generosity means that a sick child in India becomes well, a teenager in Kansas City finds hope, a song of new life resounds on Easter morning for us all. I am amazed at the foresight of those who left bequests to our congregation decades ago. Their bold vision empowers our congregation for a new generation of those who seek God's love. I am moved by the memorial gifts that honor dear friends. Every gift creates moments that matter in the realm of God. Thank you for dreaming big and investing in the future!

Rev. Carla Aday



From the Former Chair of the Trustees

Dear Friends,

It has been a privilege to serve as Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Endowment Fund of Country Club Christian Church for the last two fiscal years. My term as a trustee ended June 30, 2017, and I was succeeded as Chair by David Forsee.

During the last fiscal year, more than \$276,000 in grants was awarded by the Endowment Trustees, including nearly \$127,000 to partner agencies worldwide. Examples of how these funds were spent both in outreach to our neighbors and in stewardship of our own campus are on pages 7-12.

A recent financial history of the Endowment Fund is set forth on page 5. As you can see, the Endowment has grown during the past five years as a result of generous contributions and the success of our investments.

Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of our Church. Consider being a part of our future.

Tom VanDyke



MEMORIAL GIFTS AND PLANNED GIVING

Country Club Christian Church's Endowment Fund is supported through generous gifts from our members and friends including the following:

Memorial Gifts – A memorial gift is given in remembrance of a loved one as a way to recognize and celebrate that person's life. When a memorial gift is given, that person's family is notified, and donors are recognized with a thank you letter from the church and in the church's newsletter.

Planned Giving: The Combs Legacy – The Combs Legacy is named for George Hamilton Combs, founding minister of Country Club Christian Church. The Combs Legacy includes those who choose to make end-of-life financial gifts to the church through planned giving. Such gifts from Combs Legacy members create a living legacy that furthers the church's mission beyond the givers' lifetimes, sustaining the church's ministries for future generations.

For more information, please contact Dave Forsee (daforsee@gmail.com), Rev. Carla Aday or Director of Finance Rachel Clement (816-333-4917), or one of the trustees listed on page 13.



FUND MANAGEMENT

The Endowment consists of two types of funds: designated and non-designated. Non-designated funds do not have stipulations and may be allocated at the discretion of the Trustees for a specific purpose or ministry. Approximately 68% of the Endowment Fund is non-designated.

The balance of 32% comprises designated funds that have been given for a specific purpose and cannot be used in any other way, such as gifts made specifically for the Music Ministry, building maintenance or mission trips. Endowment trustees administer these funds in strict compliance with the donors' stipulations.

Endowment Trustees take into consideration the preservation of the fund, the mission of the church, general economic conditions, and expected return and appreciation when making decisions about awarding grants from the non-designated funds. The amount allocated may not be more than five percent of the average of the ending fund balance for the three most recent fiscal years.

The church has adopted investment and spending policies for the Endowment Fund that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by the endowment assets while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of these assets.

ENDOWMENT TRUST AUDITED FINANCIALS					
	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17*
Beginning Fund Balance	\$6,113,315	\$6,720,987	\$7,407,268	\$7,220,646	\$6,948,867
Contributions	\$227,906	\$121,192	\$390,522	\$148,187	\$17,045
Gains	\$818,705	\$1,145,196	(\$161,969)	(\$27,941)	\$660,082
Grants	\$438,940	\$580,107	\$415,175	\$392,025	\$276,286
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*under audit as of 10/01/17



SUPPORTING THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

The Endowment Fund represents nearly 100 years of commitment and dedication by the many members of Country Club Christian Church who represent our rich history, as well as the vision of ministry we share for the next century as a body of Christ.

Outreach to our Neighbors

We are called by Jesus to love our neighbor, whether that neighbor is across the street, across town or across the world. Following in his footsteps, we seek opportunities where transformation might occur – where children are fed, nurtured and loved; refugees are delivered from war-torn lands; hope is born in hearts of the hopeless. By partnering with agencies who share our desire for healthy communities and aspiring futures, we discover God’s spirit empowering us all to create justice and peace. The following partner agencies have received Endowment grants in the last fiscal year.

Della Lamb Community Services Refugee Resettlement Project

Della Lamb’s Refugee Resettlement Project provides services for refugee families in Kansas City whose acculturation process has not yet been completed and for whom self-sufficiency has not yet been attained. Della Lamb provides recently arrived individuals and families with services such as employment placement, English language instruction, citizenship preparation, life skills instruction and job skills training.

Della Lamb, the only refugee resettlement agency in the United States which provides all required settlement services in-house, begins by meeting newly-arrived refugees at the airport and supports individuals and families through the first 90 days and into employment. This project is also supported through Country Club Christian Church volunteer efforts which include cleaning and setting up houses and apartments for arriving families, English tutoring and other hands-on services.

Global Ministries, Division of Overseas Ministries

The mission appointment of Rev. Tom and Dr. Monica Liddle is supported through an Endowment grant. The Liddles serve with the protestant churches in East Timor, where Tom's focus is on developing pastoral leaders for rural congregations and assisting with a social outreach foundation which runs two clinics and a rural vocational school. Monica serves as the doctor in Clinic Immanuel in Lospalos, providing direct care to patients and leadership and on-going training to the clinic staff, and she works with local health authorities in the areas of maternity care, nutrition, and public health, especially related to tuberculosis.

CASA of Johnson and Wyandotte Counties Teen Advocacy Project

A grant to CASA's Teen Advocacy Project supports efforts to pair teens with specially-trained CASA volunteers to help guide and support them during their critical transition to independence. Older youth are significantly less likely to find a permanent home through adoption or legal guardianship. As a result, youths often "age out" of foster care without tools, resources and support to be self-sufficient. The Teen Advocacy Project volunteers guide teens in examining their futures, which can have profound impacts on their educational, employment and social outcomes.

Harvesters Community Food Network BackSnack Program

Harvesters' BackSnack program provides a weekly backpack filled with nutritious, child-friendly food for schoolchildren to take home over the weekend. More than 100,000 children in Harvesters' service area receive free and reduced-price school meals during the week, and many of those are at risk of hunger on weekends. Through Country Club Christian Church's support of this program, needy children at Hartman Elementary School and Garfield Elementary School in food-insecure households are fed.









Stewardship of our Campus

While a church is so much more than a building, stewardship of our campus at 6101 Ward Parkway — the physical mission station at the heart of our vision — is a responsibility we take seriously. Creating a safe space for children to learn and play, for families to gather and worship, for mourners to say goodbye, for milestones to be celebrated and fellowship to flourish are important parts of our mission.

In the last year the Endowment Fund has supported this vital element of our ministry by allocating grants to modernize and beautify our spaces.

Technology

- **Wifi** – Building-wide high speed internet access has been installed ensuring all common areas have access to technology for study, learning and growth.
- **Phone System** – A new Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) system was recently installed that features direct dial lines and allows staff to receive voice mail messages both in the traditional way and via email, ensuring your messages are received in a timely manner, especially if staff members are out of the building.
- **Children’s Area Check In** – To ensure the safety of our youngest members, a new electronic check in system was recently installed on the second floor children’s wing.
- **Updated Sound Systems** – To ensure that the worship experience is a good one for all of our members and visitors, we have updated the sound system in the Sanctuary and made additional hearing assistance devices available.





Public Spaces

Across our campus we have made updates and improvements to both the aesthetics of our public spaces and their functionality. These include:

- **Library** – Our beautifully redesigned library is a warm and welcoming space for grieving families to gather before funeral and memorial services. It also serves as a small group or meeting gathering space, or simply a place to pick out a book and spend a few hours enjoying the peaceful surroundings.
- **Back Yard Fence** – Our back yard has been transformed with handsome wrought iron fencing and attractive landscaping that has created a whole new play space for the children in our Preschool and Parents' Day Out programs, and for our Friday evening and Sunday morning children's programming. Each day dozens of laughing children can safely run and play in this space, which has more than doubled the size of our safe outdoor space.
- **Solarium Window Repair** – The third floor solarium space is used by many groups, including Sunday School classes, yoga, and various visiting organizations. The window repair allows this space's temperature control to be regulated more efficiently.
- **Flooring in the Preschool** – Endowment funds allowed for the installation of new tile in the preschool spaces to comply with licensing codes.
- **Children's Classrooms** – The second floor children's wing has been under remodel, including several completely redesigned rooms which have modernized and brightened the space used by our youngest members.
- **Youth Center Remodel** – Funding has been set aside for a remodel of the second floor Youth Center to make it a more welcoming, functional and fun space for our middle and high schoolers.



ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

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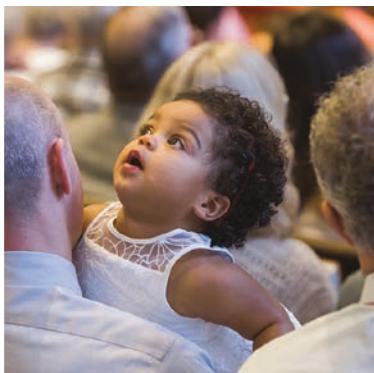
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*As each has received a gift,
use it to serve one another,
as good stewards
of God's varied grace.*

1 Peter 4:10

