GIVING WITH GREATER IMPACT
People give back for a variety of reasons. We give out of compassion for our neighbors. We do it because we are fortunate to be in a position—no matter our income level—to donate our money or our time to aid the most vulnerable and improve our communities. Now, more than ever, nonprofits and thriving communities depend on charitable giving. But are we giving with the greatest possible impact and getting the best return on investment?

Giving strategically and maximizing the impact of charitable gifts can make a selfless act a complicated process. Donor Advised Funds allow donors to tap into a philanthropic support system—provided by ACT for Alexandria—that will help you stretch your charitable dollars as far as possible. We’ll provide the guidance to help you determine how best to leverage your funds to benefit the community in the most effective way possible.

DONOR ADVISED FUND ADVANTAGES
With your initial minimum contribution of $10,000 in cash or appreciated assets, you can:

GAIN TAX BENEFITS
• Receive a tax deduction at the time of your donation into your fund.
• Avoid capital gains tax by donating long-term appreciated assets, such as public or privately held stocks, real estate, mutual funds, or life insurance, to your fund.

ENJOY A VARIETY OF FLEXIBLE OPTIONS
• Get the benefits of a private foundation without the added expenses and administrative burdens.
• Choose to invest locally, regionally or nationally.
• Access your account information and recommend grants online.
• Set up recurring grants for monthly, quarterly, or semiannual distribution.
• Receive a quarterly fund statement.
• Receive recognition for your grants or remain anonymous.
• Receive any earnings (above the administrative service fee) into the account, tax-free.
• Decide on the timing of grants to charities—there is no requirement that grants be made in a given year.

ENGAGE YOUR FAMILY
• Involve your children or grandchildren in philanthropy to support your shared areas of interest and concern.
• Assign successor advisors (children, family or friends) to assist with grant selection after your lifetime.

INVESTMENTS
ACT offers the flexibility to customize your investments to meet your immediate and long-term charitable goals. You direct how contributions to your fund are invested to maximize the value of your charitable dollars. Interest earned from these investments is deposited tax-free into your fund.

You may choose to have your financial advisor manage your fund or you may select your own allocation, using one or more of ACT’s investment pools. With either option, you will receive regular reports on investment performance and related information.

ACT’s investments are managed by Greater Horizons, a division of the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, one of the top 10 community foundations by asset size in the nation.

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES
ACT uses administrative fees exclusively to support our mission and operations and enable us to increase charitable giving, educate donors about community needs they care about, and take the lead on critical community issues.

Our Donor Advised Funds, ranging from $10,000 to more than $1 million, are typically assessed an administrative fee of 0.25 percent of the fund balance at the end of each quarter, or 1 percent per year. The minimum annual administrative fee is $500. If a donor requests extra services or support, ACT may assess additional charges by mutual agreement. Any direct expenses incurred on behalf of a fund, such as commission for the sale of contributed stock, are also debited from the fund.