

The READY Foundation

The Ready Foundation was introduced at the 2023 LEAD Conference in Tulsa this past March. Please read through the Question & Answer section to learn more about The Ready Foundation.

Question: What is The Ready Foundation?

Answer: The Ready Foundation is a donor-advised fund administered by the National Christian Foundation. The purpose of the fund is to grow contributions in order to establish a monetary base from which charitable grants can be made. The Ready Foundation is dedicated to making grants that will support the goals of empowering mentorship and discipleship, resourcing mentorship efforts, and growing local efforts to implement mentorship programs.

Question: What is a Donor Advised Fund (DAF)?

Answer: A donor-advised fund is like a charitable investment account. Its purpose is to support charitable organizations you care about. When you contribute cash, securities or other assets to a donor-advised fund, you are generally eligible to take an immediate tax deduction. Then those funds can be invested for tax-free growth, and you can recommend grants to virtually any IRS-qualified non-profit foundation or charitable organization.

- Make a tax-deductible donation Donate cash, stocks or non-publicly traded assets such as property, cryptocurrency and private company stock to be eligible for an immediate tax deduction. A contribution to a donor-advised fund is an irrevocable commitment to charity; the funds cannot be returned to the donor or any other individual or used for any purpose other than grant making to charities.
- Grow your donation, tax-free As soon as a donation is made, it can potentially grow, making available even more money for charities. Most organizations that sponsor donor-advised funds have a variety of investment options from which you can recommend an investment strategy for your charitable dollars.
- 3. Support charities, now or over time You can support virtually any IRS-qualified foundation or charity with grant recommendations from the donor-advised fund.

Albert Einstein is said to have called "the power of compound interest the most powerful force in the universe." Compounding interest is a powerful mechanism for growing vast wealth over time.

Question: Who manages the Donor Advised Fund (DAF)?

Answer: The Donor Advised Fund that is the backbone of **The Ready Foundation** is managed by the **National Cristian Foundation** -

"With 30 local teams, unparalleled expertise, and the most creative giving solutions available today, we help Christian families like yours send more to their favorite charities and connect with the larger movement of generosity taking place around the world. Since 1982, we've mobilized more than \$13 billion for 71,000 charities through a giving platform that includes Giving Funds (donor-advised funds), expert strategies for non-cash giving, highly personalized service, and unique community building opportunities." National Christian Foundation - https://www.ncfgiving.com/

Question: What is the purpose of The Ready Foundation?

Answer: The Ready Foundation will extend grants to advance the goals of the National Royal Rangers® program in the areas of training, marketing, promotion, and program materials.

Grants can also be issued to support **Camp Eagle Rock** improvement efforts. From facility upgrades and maintenance to new equipment and program offerings, support of <u>Camp Eagle Rock</u> is essential to maintain and build on the legacy of the campground.

Question: How can I give to The Ready Foundation?

Answer: There are a number of ways you can contribute to **The Ready Foundation** (#4392202).

Cash giving - simply fill out the <u>Cash Giving Form</u> to make an online cash or cash equivalent contribution or select <u>DONATE NOW</u>.

Non-cash giving - "You probably dream of giving significantly more to the charities you love, but often that seems out of reach. With non-cash giving at NCF, it's possible. You transfer part or all your asset to NCF before the sale, thereby potentially reducing or eliminating capital gains taxes, and then we liquidate the asset at the right time." The net proceeds go to **The READY Foundation Fund (#4392202).**

Estate Planning - Designate **The READY Foundation Fund (#4392202)** as a beneficiary in your estate plan in order to establish a legacy of support.

National Christian Foundation Giving Forms



The 29.11 Project is a fund raising campaign to establish a \$1,000,000 principal basis in The Ready Foundation (donor-advised fund) by March 1, 2025.

Jeremiah 29:11 - "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."



Next Steps: As we launch this effort to empower and resource mentorship, please consider taking part in the next steps.

- 1. Acknowledge God in all plans, activities and decisions and pray that He will make the path straight (**Proverbs 3:5**).
- 2. Consider making a contribution to **The Ready Foundation**.
- 3. Help us build the contact database by sending friends, family and business associates to SUBSCRIBE with **The Ready Foundation**.