



Give Local

Supporting the Cashmere Fund



The Cashmere Fund supports local nonprofits

The Cashmere Fund is a philanthropic fund managed by the Community Foundation of NCW, established by people who care about Cashmere and its future. The Cashmere Fund provides valuable, unrestricted grant funding to several local nonprofits each year.

The Cashmere Fund Local Advisory Board, comprised of Cashmere residents, volunteer their time to review and recommend grant awards to ensure they support urgent and impactful causes throughout the valley.

As gifts are added to the fund, the annual amount available to disburse in grants grows and helps provide continual and permanent financial resources that exclusively benefit Cashmere.



Applying for Grants from the Cashmere Fund

The Cashmere Fund provides grant funding to 501(c)3 public charities and qualified agencies serving residents within the city limits of Cashmere. Government agencies and public schools are not eligible. Faith-based organizations may apply only for project-specific funding that benefits the broader community. The minimum award is \$2,000, and organizations may apply annually. The application opens July 1 and closes August 15. Grant eligibility and awards are determined by the Cashmere Local Advisory Board, which reviews applications and conducts site visits with support from Community Foundation staff and a Board Trustee liaison.



How you can support the Cashmere Fund

You can help grow the Cashmere Fund in a few ways:

Boost Annual Grantmaking: A gift to the Cashmere Fund “spendable” will provide additional grant funding for that year’s grant cycle.

Build the Endowment: A gift to the Cashmere Fund Endowment will build the principal, supporting the fund long-term to ensure resources are available in perpetuity.

Leave a Legacy: Naming the Community Foundation of NCW’s Cashmere Fund in your will or estate plan will provide significant financial resources for Cashmere beyond your lifetime.

Donors considering a gift of \$5,000 or more can join the Founders Circle, endowing those dollars for a lasting impact on the place they love.



**Randy & Donna
Smith**

Founders Circle

FOR THE FUTURE

Cashmere has meant everything to Randy Smith. Growing up on the family orchard, he is deeply rooted in the small, rural community. Cashmere provided a meaningful upbringing through church, the Grange, and the FFA, which inspired him to serve his community throughout his lifetime.

When he had the opportunity to gift some property as a charitable contribution to the Cashmere Fund, he was sold. As a Community Foundation of NCW Trustee, Randy has supported the establishment of community-based Legacy Funds and liked the idea of a Local Advisory Board representative of his own community making funding decisions on local needs.

“The community can come up with better answers on supporting its needs than I can,” he said. As for the future dreams of his hometown, “I want Cashmere to be whatever the community members want it to become.”



Gerald Doyle
Founders Circle

A GIFT IN MEMORY

Gerald Homer Doyle, a lifelong steward of the Cashmere Valley, devoted his 86 years to family, farming, and the quiet rhythms of orchard life. Born November 2, 1937, in Wenatchee and raised in Cashmere, Gerald graduated from Cashmere High School in 1956 and quickly embraced the work he loved most—tending the land. After farming alongside his parents, Homer and Dorothy, he purchased his own pear orchard along Mission Creek, where he built both a home and a life defined by dedication to the fertile valley that shaped him.

Though he chose a bachelor's path, Gerald's life was far from solitary. He stayed close with lifelong friends, meeting them for weekly coffee at the Hot Rod Café for as long as he was able. Even after retiring from farming, he continued attending growers meetings to keep a pulse on the industry and to share advice and stories. His pride in the Cashmere community dated back to his youth, when he worked with his father to help build the Cashmere Museum.

Gerald delighted in the achievements of his sister, Betty Joan Vosburgh, and took great pride in the lives of his nieces and nephews. When Gerald passed in 2024, his family made a gift in his memory to the Cashmere Fund.



Ways to give to the Cashmere Fund

The Community Foundation of NCW makes giving easy. We can accept gifts in many forms: cash, check, stock, and other vehicles such as IRAs (Required Minimum Distribution, Qualified Charitable Deduction), life insurance, real estate, and other complex assets.

Our partnerships with Professional Advisors throughout the region are well-established. We can work with you and your Attorney, CPA, and/or Financial Advisor to determine your charitable giving options and make the process of giving easy for you. As a trusted charitable foundation for giving, we want you to enjoy the rewards of supporting your community and the causes you care about as we take care of the rest!



The Cashmere Fund supports charitable causes throughout Cashmere through an annual grant program that funds nonprofits addressing community needs.

The Community Foundation of NCW is a tax-exempt philanthropic organization that helps individuals, families, businesses, and agencies support charitable causes that benefit Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties.

Your investment not only supports the causes you care about, it also helps to build a permanent endowment for our region to enhance quality of life for all, forever.

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