



## **The Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment A Component Fund of the North Carolina Community Foundation**

The Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund was established in 2012 as a source of perpetual and permanent funding to enable the CFGC to make a significant impact on the beautification of public places in the City of Wilmington and New Hanover County.

The Endowment will support the CFGC's Civic Improvement efforts to:

- ✧ Identify and plan beautification projects that will create plantings within our community that are consistent with our coastal and historical heritage,
- ✧ Target public areas within the city of Wilmington and New Hanover County for beautification efforts,
- ✧ Help fund the maintenance of approved projects, and
- ✧ Provide a means by which interested citizens, businesses, organizations and others can donate to the beautification of our community.

### **How can you support the Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund?**

Gifts to the Fund may be made in many forms, and gifts of all sizes are most welcome! The CFGC Beautification Endowment Fund is invested and administered through the North Carolina Community Foundation.

You can assure the continuation of our mission in many ways: your gift or pledge to the fund, your gifts in memory or in honor of friends and family, or your thoughtfully planned bequest –these are just a few of the ways you can help build a strong endowment for the future.

All gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

### **Cash Gift**

The simplest and most convenient way to participate in the fund is through cash gifts, which may take the form of pledges over a period of years. All such gifts qualify for maximum income tax deductions.

Many individuals and families may choose to make their gifts in **honor or memory of a beloved family member or friend who enjoyed and frequented the beautiful public areas of our community.**

## **Appreciated Securities or Real Estate**

Gifts of appreciated securities and real property may provide important tax advantages to donors who have held assets for a long period of time. The full fair market value of such gifts may be deductible as a charitable contribution. In the case of restricted or closely held stock, real estate or other unusual assets, the proposed gift may require an appraisal, a review by the North Carolina Community Foundation counsel, and approval of the NCCF Board.

## **Testamentary**

There are many ways to remember the Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund in a will. After providing for relatives and friends, a donor can specify that some or all of the remaining assets be given to the Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund, thereby achieving a lasting purpose and reducing the taxable portion of an estate.

## **Life Insurance**

The Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund may be named as the owner and beneficiary of a previously existing or new life insurance policy. The donor receives an immediate tax deduction, which is usually approximately equal to the policy's cash surrender value. All premium payments made by the donor thereafter are also deductible.

## **The Charitable Remainder Trust**

A donor may wish to make a contribution to charity but need all of his or her income for current expenses. The donor can leave property to the Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund at death or give the assets now, subject to a retained income interest.

## **About the Cape Fear Garden Club**

The Cape Fear Garden Club is the oldest and largest garden club in North Carolina and is among the largest garden clubs in the nation. The organization is best known for producing the annual Cape Fear Garden Club Azalea Garden Tour ©, featuring the finest and most exquisite gardens in the Wilmington area, along with the beautiful Cape Fear Garden Club, Inc. Azalea Belles ©.

Each year the CFCG awards thousands of dollars in grants for beautification and horticultural projects to local nonprofit agencies.

## **About the NORTH CAROLINA Community Foundation**

The North Carolina Community Foundation is a non-profit, publicly supported charity that provides donors of diverse financial capabilities and interests with a flexible, cost-effective and permanent vehicle for carrying out their charitable objectives in North Carolina. The Foundation focuses primarily on encouraging, establishing and building endowments for non-profit institutions and charitable organizations serving North Carolina's people & communities.

To donate online by credit card, please visit the website of our endowment administrator, the North Carolina Community Foundation (NCCF).

Click here [the "here" would be OUR website front page: <http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org/>], and follow the instructions for making your gift online.

**TO GIVE TO THIS ENDOWMENT, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM:**

**I Support the Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund**

Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the **Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund**

\_\_\_ Benefactor (\$1000-up)    \_\_\_ Sustainer (\$100-249)

\_\_\_ Sponsor (\$500-\$999)    \_\_\_ Friend (\$1-99)

\_\_\_ Patron (\$250-499)    \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Special Gifts:*

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*Is this a matching gift? Please enclose employer's matching gift form.*

*Please make checks payable to the:*

NCCF/Cape Fear Garden Club Beautification Endowment Fund

*And mail to:*

NC Community Foundation

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