



## Investment Options for Non-Endowed Funds

The Whatcom Community Foundation manages several “pools” of investment assets, with different objectives and time horizons, as described in the Foundation’s Investment Policy.

Non-Endowed Funds are normally invested in our Short-Term investment pool, as they may be disbursed at any time. For Funds with a minimum balance for \$25,000 the Foundation is pleased to consider the donor’s investment preference from among the options listed below:

### Investment Pools

The investment pools currently offered by the Foundation are described briefly below. Please refer to the Foundation’s Investment Policy for pool asset allocations and performance goals. Quarterly investment performance for each pool is posted on the Foundation’s website and is also available upon request.

**Short-Term** - The objective of this pool is to preserve capital until funds are disbursed; intended to be disbursed within one year.

**Mid-Term** The investment objective is to minimize short-term volatility in order to fund distributions, and to enhance the longer term returns in recognition that funds may not be expended for several years but may be totally expended without prior notice at any time.

**Long-Term** The investment objective is to assure a long-term rate of growth, sufficient to offset normal inflation, administrative fees, and management fees (if any), in order to allow for reasonable, regular distributions.

### Rules Governing These Options

1. All requests for alternate investment options must be made to the Foundation in writing.
2. Investment Options requests for Funds with balances up to and including \$100,000 may be reviewed and approved by the Foundation’s management.
3. Investment Options for Funds over \$100,000 must be approved by the Foundation’s Investment and Finance Committee at their next quarterly meeting.
4. Upon approval, these allocations will remain in place unless the Fund falls below the required minimum.
5. Requests for changes to approved Investment Options/allocations are subject to the same approval process.



**Whatcom  
Community Foundation**

**Fund Investment Option Request  
Non-Endowed Funds**

I/We hereby request that the Foundation invest the \_\_\_\_\_ Fund as shown below:

**WCF Investment Pools:**

- Short-Term \_\_\_\_\_% Intended to be disbursed within 1 year
- Mid-Term \_\_\_\_\_% Intended to be disbursed within 5 years
- Long-Term \_\_\_\_\_% Not intended to be disbursed for at least 5 years

My/Our reasons for requesting the above investment option(s) are as follows:  
*(This information will be helpful to in considering your request)*

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I/We understand that investment election requests for Funds with balances of \$25,000 - \$100,000 may be approved by Foundation management. Election requests for Funds with balances of more than \$100,000 are subject to approval by the Foundation's Investment and Finance Committee at their next quarterly meeting (or the earliest opportunity prior), and periodic review by the Committee thereafter.

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*Donor* *Date*

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*Donor* *Date*

**APPROVAL:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
President/CEO Date

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Investment and Finance Committee Date