

Houghton County Board of Commissioners

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I. Short-Term/Transactional Spending Donations (Restricted/Unrestricted)

Option for Donors to make a one-time contribution to a county program, fund, or department with which said program, fund, or department can put the gift to use immediately. Donors may also choose to make pledges and payments to complete a gift intention, which allows them to choose the total amount to be donated and a set period of time. For example, a Donor may wish to donate \$2,000 each year for the next 5 years, for a total gifted amount of \$10,000 over the term of the gift agreement.

II. Endowed/Longer-Term Spending Donations (Restricted/Unrestricted)

Option for Donors that wish to make a significant gift (\$25,000+). Donations will be accepted by Houghton County and then placed in a growth fund at Superior National Bank, in Hancock, Michigan, where it will be allowed to accrue interest for a period of 3 years. After three years, a portion (4%) of the fund's balance will be paid out annually, and will then start to benefit a county fund or impact of the Donor's choice.

III. Non-Cash Donations

Interested Donors may gift to Houghton County non-cash donations such as land, real estate, appreciated securities or personal property.

IV. Blended Gifts Donations

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Interested Donors have the option of making a blended gift to Houghton County. This can include gifts of cash or other assets now, and then estate plan commitments to follow in the Donor's final plans.

V. Estate and Legacy Donations

Donors have the option to make a bequest to Houghton County in their Estate, Trust, Will and other final plans. By choosing to do this, Donors have the option to implement either irrevocable or revocable commitments, and to direct the gift to a specific cause, or to be used at the County's discretion.

VI. Naming Opportunities

Houghton County has a variety of naming opportunities that donors can consider. These include simple things like a bench on a County sidewalk, all the way up to the naming of County Properties, Buildings, Rooms and Departments.