Application Worksheet

This worksheet provides an overview of the information that will be needed for a licensed Financial Advisor to open a new donor advised fund for their clients through AEF’s Partner Gateway online application portal. Our Policies & Program Description provides detailed guidance on our overall program.

Prior to starting an application, the advisor needs to be registered with our Partner Gateway. Our Welcome Page provides more insights into the verification process.

THE BASICS

You will need to include the name(s), mailing address(es), phone number(s) and email address(es) of your client(s). The client(s) will be known as the Donor-Advisor(s) of the fund. In many instances, two people (i.e. husband and wife) open a fund together and are considered co-Donor-Advisors of the fund.

THE NAME OF THE DONOR ADVISED FUND

Most donors name their AEF Donor Advised Fund after themselves or family members, for example: John and Jennifer Smith Fund, or Jones Family Charitable Fund. Others name their funds for a purpose, such as: Hometown Children’s Health Fund. When naming a fund, the words “trust” or “private foundation” cannot be used in the name of the fund. These words have specific legal definitions and cannot be part of the fund name.

SUCCESSION / DISPOSITION PLAN

The Donor-Advisor(s) will determine whether they want the DAF to continue or terminate at the death of the Donor-Advisor(s). Many donors name a successor advisor(s) of the fund, who will become the new Donor-Advisor(s) after the death(s) of the original Donor-Advisor(s) or if there is another event if so specified. The successor advisor(s) is intended to be a person such as a family member or friend who does not currently have privileges over the fund.

Another option is a disposition plan that directs grants to organizations on a specific schedule. An additional disposition plan option is to terminate the fund and name charitable organizations that will receive liquidated distributions. Others choose to submit a more customized disposition plan that must be approved by AEF.

Which plan do you choose? ☐ Successor Advisor option ☐ Disposition Plan option

If the Successor Advisor option is chosen, who will be your Successor Advisor(s)?

Name(s): _______________________________________________________________________

Cell Phone(s): ___________________________ Home phone (s): ___________________________

Email(s): ___________________________ Mailing Address(es): ___________________________

Date(s) of Birth: ___________________________ Relation to Donor-Advisor: ___________________________

If the Disposition Plan option is chosen, please provide details:

Continue to pay grants to specific charities based on the following details and schedule: ___________________________

Terminate the fund, with liquidated distributions to the following charities: ___________________________

A customized disposition plan will require documentation to be uploaded to the Partner Gateway and must be approved by AEF.