

The Ohio Association of School Nurses
Education and Research Endowment Fund

The Mission of OASN is “to evaluate the quality of school nursing and provide leadership for the delivery of quality health programs for all Ohio school children.”

The Endowment Fund was created to help meet this goal by funding school nursing research and educational scholarships for members who meet the stated criteria. Since its establishment in May, 2006, through the Columbus Medical Association Foundation (CMAF), it has grown by leaps and bounds, thanks to the many donations received from the membership and friends of school nursing in Ohio. Many donations have been made as memorials in remembrance of a loved one, to celebrate a special occasion in one’s life, as a holiday, graduation or birthday gift or in recognition of someone’s special contribution to education, health or school nursing. Many spring conference attendees have also participated in the yearly Fund-raising event. Our thanks to all of you for your collective donations. As of June 2011, we have \$23,347.45 in the account.

Have you ever thought of a way in which you could be remembered and live on through the work of OASN? Why not consider establishing a bequest to the OASN Education and Research Endowment Fund as a legacy that will benefit the causes and people whom you care about? It is a simple and commonly used method of charitable giving and allows one to make a future gift commitment while retaining full control of one’s assets.

There are four main options available to donors:

1. Specific Bequest: A donor places in their Will a provision that directs a specific asset or sum of money be distributed to the OASN Endowment Fund through the CMAF.
2. Percentage Bequest: A donor places in their Will a provision that directs that a percentage of their estate be distributed to the CMAF for deposit in the OASN Endowment Fund.
3. Residuary Bequest: The donor provides in their Will a provision that directs that the remainder of their estate, after all other provisions in their will are satisfied, be distributed to CMAF for deposit in the OASN Endowment Fund.
4. Contingent Bequest: The donor places a provision in their Will directing assets to go to the OASN Endowment Fund only if those named as primary beneficiaries predecease the donor.

Unlike cash or other outright gifts, a Bequest in a Will or Trust is not considered an income tax charitable donation. However your estate will receive an estate tax charitable deduction for the fair market value of your charitable bequest.

The services of a competent professional who has knowledge of state laws governing Wills, Trusts and Charitable Gifts should be engaged to help evaluate your personal situation and provide technical assistance in accomplishing your goals. CMAF is also happy to work with you to assist in developing bequest language and fund descriptions that will benefit you and the OASN Endowment Fund. Individuals setting up a Legacy become members of the Foundation’s Legacy Society and decisions regarding any publicity related to a gift is left entirely to the donor.

The OASN Education and Research Endowment Fund is a legacy for school nursing in Ohio and donations are gratefully accepted at any time throughout the year. Donations may be made on line by visiting: www.oasn.org for specific instructions.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact any Board of Directors member. Thank you,

Norma Nikkola, OASN Endowment Chair