

The William & Dorothy Stafford Society recognizes those who have included the Lake Oswego School District Foundation in their estate plans. The society is named after Oregon Poet Laureate and consultant to the Library of Congress William Stafford, a scholar, teacher, and exemplar of kind and generous actions, and his wife Dorothy, who taught in the Lake Oswego School District for 24 years.



William Stafford was a longtime Oregonian and Lake Oswego resident who was a prolific and celebrated poet and teacher. He consistently claimed his mother to be his most significant literary influence. William has said that both his parents loved to read and would “luxuriate in stories.” As an outstanding teacher in the Lake Oswego School District, Dorothy Stafford exemplifies the highest standards in education. The Lake Oswego School District Foundation is grateful and pleased that Dorothy, executor of William’s body of work consisting of over 50 books, has allowed the Foundation to name its planned giving society in their honor.

The simplest support for the Lake Oswego schools is through an outright bequest or gift in a will, trust, or retirement plan. Upon notifying the Foundation of your commitment to make such a gift, you will become a member of the William and Dorothy Stafford Society and your gift will help ensure quality education for Lake Oswego students for years to come.

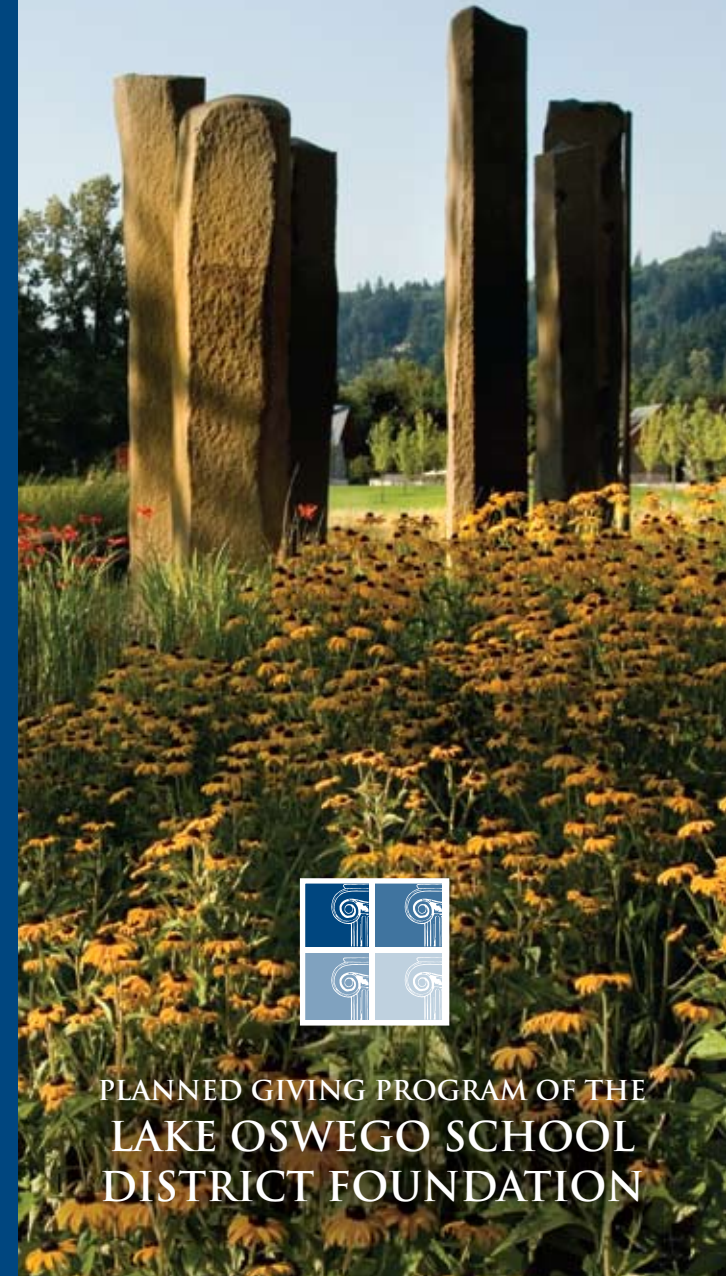
*“I am loyal to the place where
I happen to live.”*

William Stafford



THE WILLIAM & DOROTHY STAFFORD SOCIETY
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Creating a Lasting Legacy
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PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM OF THE
LAKE OSWEGO SCHOOL
DISTRICT FOUNDATION

INVEST IN EXCELLENCE

Throughout its history, the Lake Oswego School District Foundation has been enriched by the generosity of many benefactors—individuals who have contributed time, talent, and money. These investments have helped build a first class school district dedicated to giving its students an outstanding academic program. Today, in an effort to take a step toward joining the ranks of “mature foundations”, the Foundation is pleased to offer our community the opportunity to “Invest in Excellence” by investing in our Endowment Fund. The Endowment Fund’s purpose is to provide a long-term, stable source of financial assistance to the Lake Oswego School District. Endowment fund assets typically consist of cash, securities, equities, or property given to a foundation on the condition that the principal be maintained in perpetuity and only the income generated may be expended. The creation of the Lake Oswego School District Endowment Fund is a bold step in cultivating an environment of educational excellence and innovation. It will help to provide the global education required for a strong future citizenry. It will also assure that crucial educational programs continue into the future.



The purpose of the Stafford Society is to create a lasting legacy through an endowment fund. The Stafford Society is a gift—from one generation to another—that works to continue the tradition of outstanding schools in Lake Oswego. It is a gift that passes down to succeeding generations the gift that we were so fortunate to have received:

“Excellence in Education.”

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

Founding Membership

Founding members of the Stafford Society will have made a gift of cash or securities in the amount of \$20,000 over a period of three years and have dedicated the gift to the endowment fund.

Charter Membership

Charter members will have donated by establishing a bequest in their estate plan, beneficiary designation on a retirement account or life insurance policy, or through a life-income plan, an amount that will be equivalent to \$40,000 or more upon receipt as a benefit to the Lake Oswego School District Foundation.

Founding and Charter members will receive recognition at an annual honoring event, on a placard at both high schools’ main entrance, with a certificate of appreciation, and in a public thank you through the news media.

For more information on the Stafford Society, please call the Lake Oswego School District Foundation Director, Mary Puskas at (503) 534-2302 or visit our web site at www.losdfoundation.org.

