# FIND YOUR GIVING PASSION



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF CENTRAL MISSOURI

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believes that every person should donate to the causes they care about the most. Use this resource to help your giving reflect your values and interests.

#### A. PAST DONATIONS

Where have you given in the past?

What was your most meaningful or rewarding charitable donation? Why?

What was your most disappointing charitable donation? Why?

#### **B. PAST VOLUNTEERISM**

Where have you volunteered in the past?

Do you recall meaningful experiences while volunteering? Why was it meaningful?

Do you recall your most disappointing experience while volunteering? Why was it disappointing?

#### C. PERSONAL IMPACT FROM ORGANIZATIONS

What organizations have made a difference in your life or that of your loved ones?

#### D. AREAS OF INTEREST

What causes or areas of interest do you care about? Write as many as come to mind, then circle your top three. (Scroll down for ideas)

#### E. YOUR PERSONAL VALUES

What are your values? Write as many as come to mind, then circle your top five. (Scroll down for ideas)

#### F. LINKING INTERESTS AND VALUES

Link your values and your areas of interest with a statement. For example, if your top three values are knowledge, opportunity, respect, and your top interests are education, literacy, and self-suffiency, then the link between them might be:"In order for everyone to have the opportunity to become self-sufficient and lead their lives with respect, they must be able to read and learn." Creating your statement can take time and thought.

#### G. PERSONAL GIVING MISSION STATEMENT

Write a giving mission statement using active words. (Ex.: I wish to use my time, skills, money, and energy to help enrich lives through the arts.)

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#### **AREAS OF INTEREST**

Activism/Advocacy

Agriculture/Nutrition/Food

**Animals** 

**Arts and Culture** 

Civil Rights

Community Improvement

Community Service

**Crisis Intervention** 

Disaster Relief

Disability Services

Education

**Employment Environment** 

**Family Services** 

**Health and Wellness** 

Housing and Shelter

**Legal Services** 

Literacy

Medical Service

Mental Health

**Recreation and Sports** 

Religion and Spiritual

Science and Technology

Seniors

Youth

#### **VALUES**

Acceptance

Beauty

Compassion

Courage

Creativity

Discipline

Dignity

Diversity

**Empathy** 

Faith

Equality

Freedom

Harmony

Healing

Honesty

Integrity

Innovation

Justice

Joy

Knowledge

Leadership

Opportunity

Love

Peace

Personal liberty

Preservation

Respect

Responsibility

Self-sufficiency

Service

Simplicity

Sustainability

#### **ACTIVE WORDS**

Accomplish

Adapt

Advocate

Change

Commit

Competent

Consistent

Decrease

Dedicate

Develop

Educate

Effective

**Efficient** 

Eliminate

Encourage

Ensure

Establish

Increase

Knowledgeable

Perform

Prevent

Produce

Provide

Reliable

Relieve

Respond

Retain

Support

Sustain

Train

Value

Visible

