

# Stephen D. Tanner Children's Enrichment Fund

## ABOUT THE FUND

The Stephen D. Tanner Children's Enrichment Fund was created by Rita Tanner in the name of her late husband, a beloved member of the Morgantown community who gave many years of faithful service to numerous organizations and causes.

The endowment fund will be invested to increase its value, with net earnings used annually to provide educational opportunities for children from low-income families and to help cover the cost of enrichment programs for children.



"We wanted to honor Stephen's memory by helping children in Monongalia County gain opportunities they wouldn't otherwise have," Mrs. Tanner said. "Many students face obstacles; they fall behind."

Stephen Tanner was one of the most well-known and well-liked members of the Morgantown community for many years. He was one of the founders of the Greater Morgantown Community Trust (GMCT), which was merged into YCF, and both he and his wife served on its board of directors.

The Tanner family also donated the building at 111 High Street which houses the YCF offices as well as other community organizations. The building – listed on the National Register of Historic Places – formerly housed Tanner and Tanner CPAs and was once the Morgantown Post Office.

Tanner was a vital member of the Morgantown community, serving on the City Charter Board, Historic Landmark Commission, Parking Authority, Salvation Army board and Morgantown High School Foundation board.

He also served as a member of the WVU College of Creative Arts Visitors Committee, West Virginia Holocaust Commission, Public Radio Board and Humanities Council. In 2008, he was named Morgantown Citizen of the Year and WVU's Most Loyal West Virginian, and in 2012 he received the Earl L. Core Award, the highest honor conferred by the Morgantown Chamber of Commerce.

## HOW CAN I DONATE?

The fund is managed by Your Community Foundation of North Central West Virginia, Inc. (YCF). YCF is a qualified 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization eligible to receive donations.

Any individual, organization, or business can make a tax-deductible contribution to the fund. Donations are accepted in the form of checks, credit cards, stocks and through bequests. To donate online, click on the "Donate" link on the YCF website, [www.ycfwv.org](http://www.ycfwv.org). You may enter a name of a specific fund during the checkout process. Alternatively, donations by check may be made payable to "YCF" and mailed to the address below. Checks should include the name of the fund in the memo line.

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