

Roman Catholic Foundation: An Overview

## WHO WE ARE

The Roman Catholic Foundation of Eastern Missouri is a 501(c)(3) public charity, independent from the Archdiocese of St. Louis, governed by a board of trustees.

## WHAT WE DO

Our mission is to inspire giving and connect donors to Catholic ministries, sustaining the local Church for future generations.

## WHO WE SERVE

In seeking to build endowment funds to sustain the local Church, we support the parishes, schools and ministries of the Archdiocese of St. Louis with planned giving expertise, education and marketing. We also work with donors to maximize the impact of their gifts on the Catholic ministries they love.

## BENEFITS OF PARTNERING WITH US

- Asset Protection
  - The Roman Catholic Foundation is legally separate from the Archdiocese of St. Louis; funds invested with the Foundation are therefore protected.
- Good Stewardship with Sound, Moral Investments
  - o All funds are invested for long-term sustainability according to the Socially Responsible Investment Guidelines established by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops.
  - o Our investment policies include stringent evaluation criteria in the areas of protecting human life, promoting human dignity and reducing arms production.
- Education and Marketing
  - o The Foundation helps parish, school or ministry leaders, staff and volunteers effectively promote planned giving in order to reap for the Church the vast potential benefits of such gifts.
- Planned Giving Expertise
  - o We can help secure complex gifts including donations of real estate, private businesses, life insurance policies and retirement accounts.
  - o We provide confidential, individualized assistance to donors of all walks of life who wish to leave a legacy to the Catholic organizations they love.