



SCF Fund Fee Philosophy

At the Spartanburg County Foundation, we view fund fees as an investment in effective philanthropy and lasting community impact. Every dollar entrusted to us is a charitable asset, and our fee structure is designed to provide the stewardship, expertise, and leadership necessary to maximize its benefit for Spartanburg County.

The Foundation is committed to an ongoing and dynamic review process of our fund fees. These fees support the responsible management of charitable funds, including investment oversight, grantmaking, compliance, financial reporting, governance, donor services, technology, and community leadership. They help ensure that charitable assets are protected, managed with integrity, and positioned to create the greatest possible impact.

Our approach is guided by five core principles:

- **Mission-Driven** – Fees advance community impact, not profit.
- **Stewardship** – We manage charitable assets responsibly and with a long-term perspective.
- **Transparency** – Fees are clear, fair, and aligned with the services provided.
- **Innovation and Excellence** – Fees support the people, systems, and expertise needed to serve donors and strengthen philanthropy.
- **Community Impact** – Fee revenue helps sustain the Foundation's ability to address community needs, strengthen nonprofits, and create opportunities throughout Spartanburg County.

As a community foundation, fee revenue is reinvested in the work of building a stronger Spartanburg County. By sharing the costs of stewardship and community leadership, fundholders help sustain an organization dedicated to improving the lives of all Spartanburg County residents for generations to come.

An independent economic impact analysis by Clemson University's Regional Economic Analysis Laboratory found that every dollar invested through the Foundation generates an estimated **\$1.70 in economic impact** within Spartanburg County.

In short, our fund fees are an investment in trusted stewardship, stronger philanthropy, and a more vibrant Spartanburg County.