

GEOGRAPHIC AFFILIATE FUND

What is a Geographic Affiliate Fund (GAF)?

A GAF is established to enhance the quality of life in a specific geographic region and is used exclusively to benefit causes in that region. The Fund is just one of many funds held and stewarded by the Inland Empire Community Foundation (IECF), which serves Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

Donations received by a GAF are overseen by a fundraising and grants committee with IECF staff/board members who direct grants to nonprofits in the local area.

How can you support a Geographic Affiliate Fund?

1. Talk with your neighbors about creating a fund in your community!
2. Make a contribution to the fund. Your gift becomes available for grants to qualified nonprofits in your community.
3. Join the Fundraising and Grants Committee to help raise and distribute funds.
4. Help raise funds through your relationships or by holding a special event to raise dollars for the fund.
5. Promote the power of the fund through your social channels and share important issues affecting your community with IECF staff.



What are the benefits of a Geographic Affiliate Fund?

- Support and invest in the community where you live and work.
- Flexible giving options allow you to donate cash, appreciated assets (stocks, bonds, real estate, etc.) and other complex assets.
- Leverage your donation and maximize your impact through combined giving with others.



Who can give to a Geographic Affiliate Fund?

- Individuals
- Families
- Family and private foundations
- Businesses
- Government

What are the tax advantages of a Geographic Affiliate Fund?

- Your GAF contribution qualifies as a charitable deduction on your income taxes, if you itemize deductions.
- Non-cash gifts, such as appreciated assets, may provide a reduction in capital gains taxes.
- Please consult your tax advisor for other possible tax savings.

In a region as big as the IE, we understand that local communities have specific needs. Geographic Affiliate Funds invest in the changes that matter most to residents through the giving and grant making expertise of the Inland Empire Community Foundation.

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For more information about Geographic Affiliate Funds, contact Brie Griset Smith, Senior Vice President of Charitable Giving, at bgrisetsmith@iegives.org or call 951.241.7777.

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