

Support Fees

Support fees are used exclusively to support the mission-based operations of the Foundation. Your investment helps expand our critical community impact work and enables us to provide you with high-quality administrative, philanthropic and advisory services.

Greater Worcester Community Foundation offers several types of philanthropic funds to help donors achieve a wide range of charitable goals. Support fees charged by the Foundation vary depending on the type and size of the fund. Support fees are charged monthly and withdrawn from the fund's assets. A minimum fee of \$250 per year is drawn on all funds.

Current Support Fee Rates

Agency Funds	0.75%
Designated Funds	1.25%*
Discretionary Funds	1.25%*
Donor Advised Funds	See table
Field of Interest Funds	1.25%*
Scholarship Funds	1.95%*

Donor Advised Fund Fee Schedule

As of January 1, 2025

Fund balances up to \$1 million	1.00%
Fund balances between \$1 and \$5 million	0.75%
Fund balances between \$5 and \$10 million	0.50%
Fund balances over \$10 million	0.25%

**Amounts above \$5 million are assessed at 1.00% annually.*

Investment Management Fee

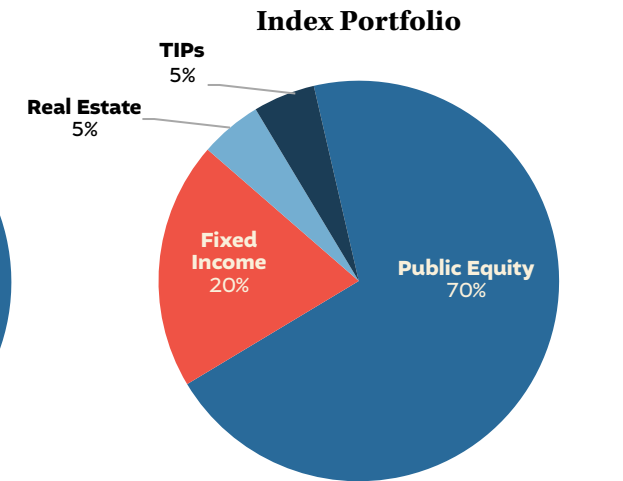
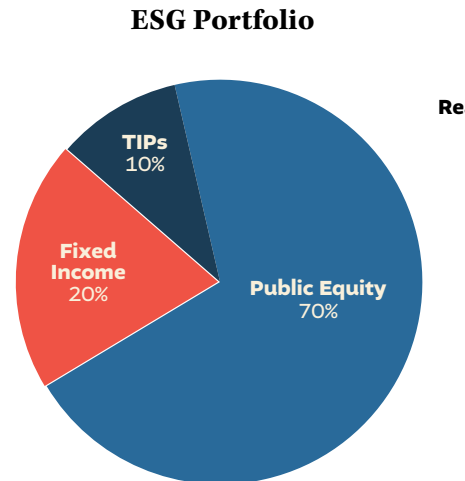
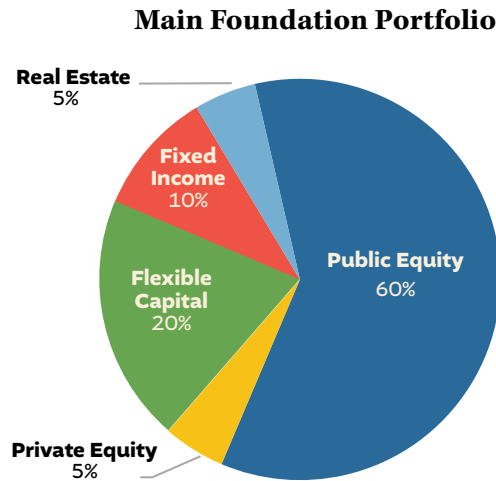
The Foundation's investment managers each assess charges to cover custody of assets, investment management, and trading activity. Investment manager fees are assessed each month based on current market value. Investment performance results are reported net of investment management fees. [Turn page to see estimated management fees for our three portfolio options.](#)

Contact

If you have any questions about our funds or fees, please contact our Philanthropic Services team at donorservices@greaterworcester.org or **508-755-0980**.

Investment Pool Options

Target Asset Allocations



Investment Objective	Capital preservation and long-term asset growth to meet spending after inflation	Capital preservation and long-term asset growth, with a focus on sustainability including fossil fuel free investments	Capital preservation and long-term growth, investing in passively managed index funds to minimize fees
Liquidity	5% illiquid private investments	100% daily liquidity	100% daily liquidity
Expected Nominal Return & Volatility¹	7.8 / 12.7	7.2 / 12.0	7.4 / 12.7
Estimated Management Fees²	65 – 75 bps	40 – 50 bps	5 – 7 bps
Potential Benefits	Long-term growth to meet incremental charitable spending needs and expenses	Long-term growth investing in an environmentally-oriented portfolio	Low cost passively managed portfolio seeking long-term growth via well-diversified market exposures

1.Expected returns and volatility, as measured by standard deviation, are based on Prime Buchholz 2024 capital market assumptions. Returns are geometric. As of December 31, 2023.

2. Management Fees represent investment manager fees only and exclude custody and Prime Buchholz advisory fees (approximately 8-10 bps).