



## Partners for Montana's Future

### Summary of the Program

#### Active Management Investment Strategies – Charitable Assets of \$1,000,000+

The Montana Community Foundation's *Partners for Montana's Future* (PMF) program provides an opportunity for wealth advisors and investment professionals to retain the management of charitable assets contributed to Montana Community Foundation, Inc. (MCF) by their clients for the purpose of creating planned gifts and charitable endowment funds.

To qualify for the PMF program, the following terms and/or criteria must be met up front by the prospective Program Partner:

#### Donor Gift Terms:

The following is required before any transaction with the donor can proceed within PMF:

- Initiating funds must represent a new donation to MCF.
- Minimum portfolio size of \$1,000,000 per client (donor).

#### Management of Funds Terms:

- All charitable assets managed for MCF will be held in a PMF Fund account with MCF – Donor Name, as the account's name.
- Program Partner must be willing and capable of investing MCF charitable assets in a manner consistent with the Investment Policy Statement (IPS) approved by the MCF Investment Committee. A copy of the IPS will be provided upon application to the program, at which time the prospective Partner must provide a recommendation of investment strategies/vehicles they propose that would satisfy the IPS guidelines.
- A benchmark or benchmarks against which investment performance shall be measured will be agreed upon by MCF and Program Partner.
- An agreed upon asset allocation model/strategy will be established by MCF and Program Partner and portfolios shall be rebalanced accordingly on a regular schedule, no less than semi-annually.
- Program applies to PMF Funds management, on a per donor basis, of \$1,000,000 or greater.
- Additional requirements:
  - Program Partner must have a pre-existing investment relationship with the donor.
  - Program Partner must agree not to solicit additional business from MCF's funds.
  - Donors and related parties can have no discretionary authority over the investment of the charitable assets.

#### Program Partner Terms:

- The Program Partner's firm must hold a minimum of discretionary assets under management of \$50mm.
- Program Partner will undergo due diligence that includes completion of the Program Partner application and background check for review and approval by MCF staff and MCF's Investment Committee.

### Approval into the PMF Program:

Final approval of a Program Partner into the PMF program is determined by the MCF Investment Committee.

- Approval is determined by a Program Partner's ability to:
  - Demonstrate significant experience in the investment management business. Principals should have at least 5 years of experience.
  - Personal interviews of firm principals and prospective Program Partner(s) by MCF. Relevant staff should be able to demonstrate command of firm investment philosophy.
- When a Program Partner and their management plan is approved the following conditions apply:
  - If a portfolio is not established after one (1) year, then a review of the management plan is necessary to confirm it is the same plan originally approved.
  - If after three (3) years a portfolio is not established, the Program Partner will need to be re-approved by MCF's Investment Committee.
  - MCF will perform periodic reviews of Program Partners and their portfolio performance.