# **Endowed Aggie Ring Scholarship**





Each year, former students and friends of Texas A&M University pave the way for The Association of Former Students to provide hundreds of students with scholarships toward the purchase of their Aggie Ring.

While donations to the general Aggie Ring scholarship fund are welcome, establishing an Endowed Aggie Ring Scholarship by giving a minimum gift of \$40,000, payable over a five-year period, provides scholarships in perpetuity to students who have earned the honor to wear the Aggie Ring.

#### **HOW YOUR GIFT IS USED**



 Gifts to establish an Endowed Aggie Ring Scholarship are invested with the earnings used to provide Aggie Ring Scholarships to students.

## \$40K+

 An endowment will not begin providing awards until it is fully funded (minimum of \$40,000) and has generated enough earnings to fund the first award.



 The Texas A&M Scholarships and Financial Aid office will award your Aggie Ring Scholarship to recipients based on your desired criteria listed in the gift agreement.

## **BENEFITS**

- Invitation to attend the scholarship recipient's Aggie Ring Day each year, held in April or the fall months.
- Invitation to an annual appreciation event with Aggie Ring Scholarship recipients.
- Recognition in *Texas Aggie* magazine.



## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Can I establish an Aggie Ring Scholarship in someone else's name?

Yes. The Endowed Aggie Ring Scholarship is a great way to commemorate anyone who shares a love for Texas A&M, either as a memorial or gift for any occasion.

#### How long will it be before the scholarship begins to award, and how much will it provide?

After about 12-18 months, the interest accrued will provide a credit up to \$1,500 per Aggie Ring for one large Aggie Ring or \$750 per Aggie Ring for two small 10-karat Aggie Rings. However, there are options to shorten this timeframe. Please contact a member of the Development team to learn more.

#### My company has a matching gift program. Does this apply toward my endowment contributions?

Matching funds can be used to fund the endowment if criteria is met based on your company's matching gift policy. We encourage you to check the details of your company's matching gift program to see if you can multiply and maximize your impact on Texas A&M. Search for your company's matching gift program online at **tx.ag/MatchingGift**.

#### Once the \$40,000 minimum is met, am I able to continue giving?

Yes, you can certainly continue to build on the endowment. We hope you will consider other giving opportunities, such as becoming an Endowed Century Club member.

## How do you establish an Aggie Ring Scholarship?

- 1. Contact The Association of Former Students who will work with you to establish a gift agreement.
- 2. Make your gift.
  - Payment methods can include online by credit card, checks, wire transfers, stock transfers or IRA/ charitable fund distributions.



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