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Who can make a legacy gift?
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• We will establish a fund in your name and for your chosen purpose. Upon your death, your fund will be funded and begin doing good work in your honor.
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In 2009, James D. Browning gave a legacy gift to Truman Heartland to create the J.D. Browning Endowment Fund, benefiting nonprofits serving the Lee’s Summit community.

Since 2009, the J.D. Browning Endowment Fund has granted nearly $510,000 to nonprofits.

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By partnering with Truman Heartland for his legacy gift, Mr. Browning’s passion for philanthropy lives on and will continue to make a positive impact in the Lee’s Summit community.

*The long-term impact is exciting, knowing that our work will be leveraged while we are alive, and then, continue as a reflection of our belief in good stewardship long after we are gone. It’s an excellent tool for making an impact – for good – and forever.”

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$100,000
Legacy Gift

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