Many Ways of Giving—
NASP Education & Research Trust, Inc. (ERT)
NASP Children’s Fund, Inc. (CF)

You Can Leave a Legacy
To Help Ensure a Brighter Future for All Children

If you would like to leave a legacy that helps to create a brighter future for all children and youth and promotes the profession of school psychology, consider donating to one of the NASP charitable funds. Your gift can help support projects that will make a real difference for the future.

There are many ways to donate, from making a direct contribution today to making a bequest in your will. Planned giving options allow you to determine how to make your gift in a way that fits your financial situation while providing maximum assistance to those whom we serve. You can designate your gift for the benefit of the NASP Education and Research Trust or the NASP Children’s Fund, or you can support both. A portion of every gift to the ERT goes to the Minority Scholarship Fund—or you may designate all of your gift to go to the Minority Scholarship Fund.

ERT is a 501(c)(3) charitable, non-profit organization affiliated with NASP. ERT was established in 1991 to receive and administer charitable donations. A planned gift to ERT will help to fulfill its special mission for years to come. ERT encompasses several programs, including:

- Minority Scholarship Fund—The Minority Scholarship Fund annually awards $5,000 scholarships to minority students who are enrolled in graduate programs in school psychology. The awards are presented at a sponsored fundraising reception each year at the NASP Annual Convention.

- Direct Service Grants—The ERT Board awards grants of $1,000, usually on an annual basis. NASP members who are planning projects that support and are consistent with the ERT’s purposes and mission are invited to submit grant proposals.

About the NASP Education and Research Trust, Inc.

- Paul H. Henkin Trust—Begun in 2002, this endowed program annually awards a scholarship that is presented at the NASP Annual Convention. NASP members who have recently been credentialed as school psychologists are eligible for consideration.

- School Psychologist of the Year Award—Each year this program honors a practicing school psychologist for serving students and the community with exceptional dedication, skill, and effectiveness.

The National Association of School Psychologists

Represents and supports school psychology through leadership to enhance the mental health and educational competence of all children.
The NASP Children’s Fund was established as an independent 501(c)(3) charitable organization in 1985. The Fund accepts and disburses monies for charitable activities that are consistent with the Fund’s purposes. The Fund:

- Advocates for the essential rights and welfare of children and youth.
- Promotes learning environments that facilitate optimal development.
- Researches effective interventions that address distressing circumstances of children and youth.
- Embraces individual differences in children and youth.

The NASP Children’s Fund accomplishes its mission through a variety of programs:

- **Service Projects**—CF awards grants in amounts up to $5,000 to support development of initiatives that directly benefit children.
- **Youth Empowerment Mini-Grants**—Based on the Developmental Assets research of Peter Benson and the Search Institute, this program provides stipends of $500 to projects designed and implemented by youths to build assets in their communities.
- **Tiny Grants for Kids**—Provides NASP members with emergency funds to meet the acute physical and mental health needs of children.
- **Community Outreach**—In conjunction with the NASP Annual Convention, the Fund has a project to promote literacy and self-image through distribution of personalized books.
- **Crisis Response**—Based on requests from local school psychologists, the NASP Children’s Fund has provided assistance in the aftermath of many events ranging from fires and floods to terrorist acts and wars.

Sources of revenue for the NASP Children’s Fund are dues, donations, and the auction held during the NASP Annual Convention. The auction could not exist without both corporate and individual donations and the support of all in attendance.

The NASP website has more information about both ERT and the NASP Children’s Fund. For more information about ERT, visit [www.nasponline.org/about_nasp/ert.html](http://www.nasponline.org/about_nasp/ert.html). For more information about the NASP Children’s Fund, visit [www.nasponline.org/about_nasp/childfund.html](http://www.nasponline.org/about_nasp/childfund.html).

### Ways to Give

There are many methods of donating to ERT and/or the NASP Children’s Fund, including:

- **Cash Gifts**—A gift of cash enables you to take an income tax deduction for the entire amount of the gift, up to 50% of your adjusted gross income.
- **Outright Gifts of Appreciated Securities**—Donating appreciated securities enables you to save money on your income tax, and none of the appreciation of the securities is taxable to you.
- **Gifts of Life Insurance**—You may list one of the NASP charities as the beneficiary of a new or existing life insurance policy. Upon your death, the charity you have designated receives the proceeds as a bequest. This may provide your estate with tax benefits.
- **Bequests**—A provision in your will enables the entire amount of a bequest to be deductible for federal estate tax purposes. There are no limits on the size of such bequests.
- **Life-Income Gifts**—Deferred gifts such as a life-income gift allow you to make a charitable contribution but to retain income for yourself or family members.
- **Charitable Trusts**—Charitable trusts are separately invested irrevocable trusts you create by transferring cash, securities, or other property to the trust.
- **Matching Gifts**—A company participating in a matching gift program contributes an amount equal or proportional to the employee(s) contribution(s) to the charity. You or your spouse can multiply the value of your giving if your employer participates in a matching program for charitable gift giving.

*Please note that the tax savings involved in charitable giving are sometimes complex. Please discuss planned giving options and questions you may have about them with your tax attorney, CPA, financial planner, bank trust officer, and/or life insurance agent. If you have any questions about making a donation or if you would like to discuss planned giving with someone from the NASP office, please e-mail NASP at **donations@naspweb.org**.*