



# Donor Portal Guide

## Donor Portal

As a fundholder of Stark Community Foundation, you have the ability to access your fund information online through our Donor Portal. Within the portal, you can easily check your fund balance, view and download quarterly market summaries, request and track grants, add to your fund and more. The Donor Portal makes it easy to manage your fund and is available 24/7 from anywhere, on any device.

## Initial Login Process and Creating Your Account

You will receive an email from Stark Community Foundation with a custom invitation link to create your account in the Donor Portal. Your username will be your email address that we have on file. If you would like to change your username for any reason, please contact our Advancement Team at 330-454-3426 or [donorservices@starkcf.org](mailto:donorservices@starkcf.org). Once you click on the invitation link in the email, you will be prompted to create a password of your choice. We recommend using random words, capital letters, numbers and/or special characters to keep your account secure.

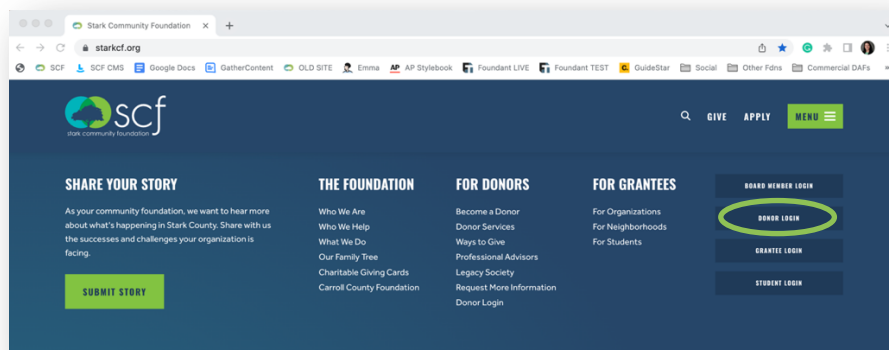
**Setup Access**  
Please setup a password to use to access your account.

Name	Smith, Mrs. Jane B.
Login	jane.smith@gmail.com
Password	<input type="password"/>
Confirm Password	<input type="password"/>

[Save](#)

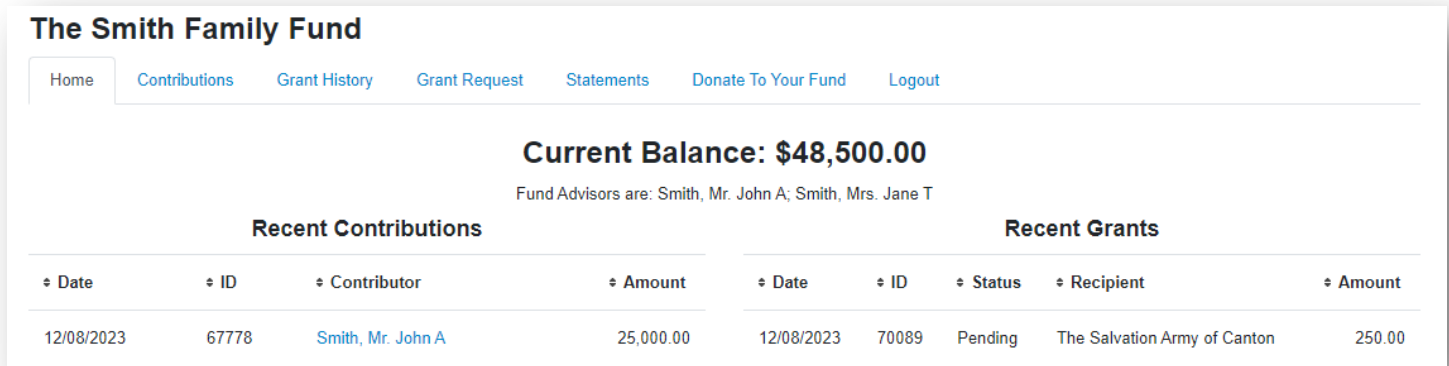
## Returning Users

To access the Donor Portal, you can visit [www.starkcf.org/donor-portal](http://www.starkcf.org/donor-portal) or visit Stark Community Foundation’s website at [www.starkcf.org](http://www.starkcf.org) and click Donor Login button in the navy blue footer. You will be redirected to a login page where you will enter your unique username and password. Your username will be your email address. If you don’t know your password, click on the Forgot Password link and reset your password.



## Donor Portal Features

Once you are logged in, your fund's homepage will appear. *If you manage multiple funds, you will see a Choose Fund menu. Choose the fund you wish to review from the drop-down menu.*



**The Smith Family Fund**

Home Contributions Grant History Grant Request Statements Donate To Your Fund Logout

**Current Balance: \$48,500.00**

Fund Advisors are: Smith, Mr. John A; Smith, Mrs. Jane T

Recent Contributions				Recent Grants				
Date	ID	Contributor	Amount	Date	ID	Status	Recipient	Amount
12/08/2023	67778	Smith, Mr. John A	25,000.00	12/08/2023	70089	Pending	The Salvation Army of Canton	250.00

The tabs at the top of the page display different features available to you as a fundholder:

### Home

Your homepage is a quick snapshot of your fund's most recent activity. It will show your fund's current balance, all fund advisors, recent contributions and recent grant history.

### Contributions

This tab shows all donations made to your fund. Clicking on a contributor's name will bring up their history of contributions including date of gift, type and amount.

### Grant History

This tab shows the history of grants awarded from your fund including date, organization name, purpose and amount.

### Grant Request

This tab allows you to make a grant request from your fund and see recent grant statuses.

### Statements

This tab shows your fund's quarterly market summaries. Next to the summary you wish to view, click Print and the system will generate a PDF in a new window that you may view, save or print.

### Donate to Your Fund

This tab opens up a new window for you to make a gift to your fund. You can also set up a recurring donation.

### Logout

Clicking Logout will automatically log you out of the Donor Portal. If you do not log out this way, you will be automatically logged out at midnight.

## Submitting a Grant Request

To recommend a grant from your fund, click the **Grant Request** tab. Recommending a grant is a three-step process:

### 1. Choose a Grantee in one of four ways:

#### A. Choose from Previous Grantee

Choose the organization you want to support from this drop-down list of organizations you have previously supported.

or

#### B. Other Foundation Funds

Choose an endowment fund you want to support from this drop-down list of funds at Stark Community Foundation.

or

#### C. Search for Other Grantees

Search for the organization you want to support in GuideStar, the world's largest database of nonprofit organizations. Once you find the organization you want to support, click **Create Request**.

or

#### D. Enter Grantee Information Manually

If you can't find the organization you wish to support, you will need to enter the organization's information manually: name, address and phone number. Once you enter this information, click **Submit**.

The screenshot shows a form titled "Choose from previous Grantee" with four options:

- A Grantees you have given to in the past**: A dropdown menu.
- B Other foundation funds**: A dropdown menu.
- C Search for other Grantees**: A search form with a "Name" input field and a "Search" button.
- D Enter Grantee information manually**: A form with "Name \*" and "Address \*" input fields.

Once the organization has been selected, you will be redirected to a **New Grant Request** to provide pertinent grant details including grant description and amount.

### 2. Grant Details

In the description field, please provide the grant purpose and any special handling. Keep in mind that if you don't designate a specific grant purpose, your grant will be earmarked for General Support. A \$100 minimum is required for each grant request. You can also choose to remain anonymous by selecting the Anonymous checkbox. Once you are finished entering this information, click **Add to Grant Requests**. Repeat for additional grants.

The screenshot shows a form titled "Grant Request" with the following fields:

- Grantee**: Canton Palace Theatre Association
- Description**: A text area with a character count of 0/255 characters.
- Amount**: A text input field.
- Anonymous**: A checkbox.
- Recurring**: A checkbox.
- Attachment**: A "Choose Files" button with the text "No file chosen (or drag and drop anywhere on the page)".
- Attachment Description**: A text input field.
- Additional Notes**: A large text area.

At the bottom of the form is a blue button labeled "Add To Grant Requests".

As you add additional grant requests, they will show on the right side of the screen under **Unsubmitted Grant Requests**. When you are finished adding grants, click **Review and Submit Grant Requests**.

	Recipient	Description	Amount	
Delete	Aunt Susie's Cancer Wellness Center	General Support	100.00	Edit
Grant Request Total			100.00	

Review and Submit Grant Requests

### 3. Submit Grant Requests

Review your grant request details and click **Submit Grant Requests**. Once you submit the request(s), you will receive an automated confirmation email and our staff will begin processing.

## Viewing Grant History

To review your grant history, click the **Grant History** tab.

ID	Date	Status	Recipient	Description	Advisor	Amount	
70089	12/08/2023	Pending	The Salvation Army of Canton	Christmas Needs	Smith, Mr. John A	250.00	Copy

Under the Status column, you will see one of five statuses for each grant:

**Request** means that your grant request has been sent to our staff. If you would like to cancel a pending grant request before it is processed, click the yellow Cancel button.

**Cancelled** means your grant request has been cancelled.

**Pending** means that our staff is currently processing your grant request.

**Approved** means your grant request has been approved but not yet paid.

**Paid** means that the grant request has been approved and a check has been paid out to the organization.

## Questions

If you have any questions about the Donor Portal, contact our Advancement Team at 330-454-3426 or [donorservices@starkcf.org](mailto:donorservices@starkcf.org).

# Donor Portal Frequently Asked Questions

## **How often are quarterly statements posted?**

Quarterly market summaries are posted the month immediately following the end of each quarter. You will be notified via email when your statement is ready to be viewed in the Donor Portal. If you are not receiving these notification emails, please contact our Advancement Team at 330-454-3426 or donorservices@starkcf.org.

## **How do I change my password?**

If you need to change your password, click on the Forgot Password link on the login page and reset your password.

## **How long does it take for my recommendation to be processed?**

Generally, recommendations are processed within five business days.

## **Who can I make recommendations to?**

Grant recommendations must be made to 501(c)(3) organizations (including schools, churches and government entities).

## **What is the minimum amount for a grant recommendation?**

A \$100 minimum is required for each grant recommendation.

## **Are there other ways to submit a donor recommendation?**

Yes, recommendations may be submitted through email or mail/fax.

- **Email:** Email give@starkcf.org with your recommendation. Please include the fund name, grant amount, grant purpose and any additional instruction in the email. A member of our Advancement Team will email a confirmation of the recommendation.
- **Mail/Fax:** If you prefer to make manual recommendations, you can fill out the Donor Recommendation form, which is located on the Foundation's website within the Donor Toolkit section of the Resource Library. You can then mail, email or fax the form to Stark Community Foundation.

## **How do I know if a grant I recommended has been issued?**

Your most recent grants paid will be listed on your Donor Portal homepage. Or, you may click on the Grant Request tab and on the right side of this page, you will see your recent grant requests with their status.

## **Who do I contact if I'm having issues with the Donor Portal?**

If you have any questions or are experiencing issues with the Donor Portal, please contact our Advancement Team at donorservices@starkcf.org or 330-454-3426.