



Grand Challenges Legacy Society

Launched in 2023

Overview: Through generous donations, the Grand Challenges Legacy Society furthers the deep humanitarian purposes of social change embodied in the Grand Challenges for Social Work initiative and honors those who give it leadership. The Grand Challenges Legacy Society plays a critical role in assuring the enduring success of research, education, and policy implementation efforts of the Grand Challenges for Social Work. Members are recognized as exemplars in supporting the profession's highest aspirations for human welfare and are acknowledged in all publications, general meetings, and other honorary occasions held by the initiative.

Membership: A contribution of \$5,000 or more establishes annual membership in the Legacy Society. Gift preferences may be designated to support any purpose or activity of the Grand Challenges, including specific networks or support for GCSW events and activities. While funds will not necessarily be directed towards the preferences and may be used towards general support of the initiative, we will endeavor to honor your preference to the extent feasible. If your gift is for a specific network, this will be designated in multiple ways and will be noted on our sponsorship list.

Named Honor: Membership in the Grand Challenges Legacy Society may be supplemented at any time with gifts totaling \$25,000 or more to establish named awards for accomplishments in achieving the Grand Challenges. These awards might be for named scholarships, dissertation awards, projects, or others. (Note: a portion of funds received through gifts will be used for general operating expenses).

Pledging: Multi-year pledges of any amount are encouraged, allowing donors to spread their total contribution over multiple years to reach the sponsorship level of their choice. Donors of any level will receive a formal letter of thanks, together with appropriate documentation of a tax-deductible gift, upon receipt of donations.

Ways to give: To make your gift or to discuss giving possibilities, contact director@grandchallengesforsocialwork.org. Or contribute online: <https://grandchallengesforsocialwork.org/give/>.

* 6% of all sponsorships will be used to cover philanthropy fees collected by the University of Maryland School of Social Work, which provides accounting and offers interest bearing endowment accounts for gifts more than \$25,000.