

We only have a short time to live, so it is essential to do things that are worthwhile and to do them now.

- Lord Robert Baden-Powell

Scouting's original founder, Lord Robert Baden-Powell, lived by the motto quoted above. This belief clearly influenced his vision of the organization he was to create. But it also continues to define the true importance of Scouting, the relevance and impact of its programs and the vital role that our great volunteers play in making

Scouting what it is today.

Pillars of Scouting

For the Silicon Valley Monterey Bay Council to continue to deliver the quality Scouting programs to our youth, three fundamental pillars must be sustained and increased: operating income, capital income and endowment income. Encouraging endowment gifts to our council is one of our highest priorities. It is one of the best ways to ensure that our council can continue to offer the outstanding programs it now has and also grow to meet the needs of the youth and communities we serve.

What is a council endowment?

The Silicon Valley Monterey Bay Council endowment fund is an investment fund in which a small percentage can be withdrawn annual and be used for the ongoing operations or other specified purposes. The Fund's primary investment mission in most circumstances is to preserve principal and purchasing power in real dollar terms over time, while supporting current income requirements.

The James E West Fellowship Award

James E West was the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, and he served in that position for more than three decades. The West Fellowship Award is available for gifts of \$1,000 and up in cash or marketable securities to our council endowment fund. The gift must be in addition to –



and not replace or diminish – your annual Friends of Scouting support. Many individuals and corporations make these gifts either on behalf of someone else – such as in honor of an



Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver recipient, a retirement, a special accomplishment, or anniversary – or in memory of or to thank a special individual.

For more information about the James E. West Fellowship Program contact us at endowment@svmbc.org or 408.638.8330 or check out our website:

http://svmbc.org/support-scouting/endowment/

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For more information

If you would like to find out more about the Silicon Valley Monterey Bay Council endowment fund or the James E. West Fellowship program, please contact us at 408.638.8330 or endowment@symbc.org. Return to 1900 The Alameda, Suite 100, San Jose, CA 95126.