

Become a Star Builder

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You can play a role in the future growth of Imperial by making a small investment in our community. How? By becoming an Imperial Community Foundation “Star Builder.”

During a recent summit meeting of the foundation, the board set a goal of raising \$1 million over the next 10 years for a community endowment.

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The principal amount of the endowment will never be touched—only the interest from the endowment will be used for supporting community projects.

With a 5 percent return, the money could yield \$50,000 annually for community projects.

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Think of this process as a marathon, not a sprint. Dollar by dollar, pledge by pledge—every little bit counts and you can play a part by becoming a Star Builder with an investment of \$1,000 in the future of our

community.

Can't just write out a check for a grand? No problem. There are several options you can take to make the giving easier on your checkbook.

You can make a gift of \$335 in year one with a pledge to follow up with the balance over two years. Or, you can make a small automatic monthly gift from your checking account of just \$28 and in three years, your pledge is met.

As you can see, it's easy to make an investment in your community and the returns will pay rich dividends for many years to come.

Join my wife and I who have already become Star Builders by contacting any of the foundation advisors listed in the story on page one.

Become a star!