

Investing with a United Methodist Foundation

Wespath Institutional Investments (WII) is honored to partner with many United Methodist (UM) foundations throughout the United States. Here's a look at the positive impact that these foundations have and how your organization can benefit from investing with them.

What are United Methodist foundations?

UM foundations are not-for-profit organizations that provide financial services and stewardship resources to UM-related institutions and their local communities.



Church Loans & Grants

Foundations often provide loans and grants to individual churches to support their growth and development. For instance, the Atlanta Bethany United Methodist Church in Sugar Hill, Georgia, refinanced a loan through the **Georgia United Methodist Foundation**. The loan provided capital at a lower interest rate, easing the church's financial obligations and allowing them to focus on their congregation and mission outreach, including a homeless ministry, Bible studies, Vacation Bible School, and worship services.



Community Ministries

Foundations better the communities around them. **The United Methodist Foundation of Indiana** issued a grant to the United Methodist Youth Home in Evansville, Indiana, for a campus safe room. The safe room provides protection to the youth home residents in the event of an extreme weather event, such as a tornado.



Scholarships & Educational Opportunities

Many foundations provide scholarships and grants for seminary/other higher education and career development opportunities. **The Methodist Foundation for Arkansas**, for example, supplied grants to support college preparatory students working at internships in local churches.

Why should you partner with a UM foundation?

Simply put, partnering with a foundation nurtures ministry and strengthens community. Moreover, investing with WII through a foundation allows your organization to focus on its own good work while still working to reach its financial objectives.

What is WII's role?

WII serves the missions of its foundation partners by acting as a trusted fiduciary, providing a global investment offering in accordance with *The Book of Discipline*.

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