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Hope CCF exists to serve donors & ministries in the Mid-South in order to facilitate the building of God's kingdom in our community and throughout the world

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Giving Beyond Your Lifetime: A Hope CCF Legacy Fund

A donor advised fund is an ideal tool for the charitable giving portion of an estate plan. Naming your donor advised fund as the charitable beneficiary of your will at the time of your death offers ultimate flexibility and simplicity. Donors have three basic choices of how this money would be distributed:

- Prior to death, specify which non-profits you wish to receive the balance of the fund upon death. You may add or delete charities by letter, saving you the time and expense of changing wills, trusts, or other legal documents.
- Name your children, grandchildren or other trusted advisors to be successor advisors to the fund. This would allow them to make grants to charities they choose. The money could be paid out immediately or over time as they choose.
- Specify that the fund be converted to a Legacy Fund.

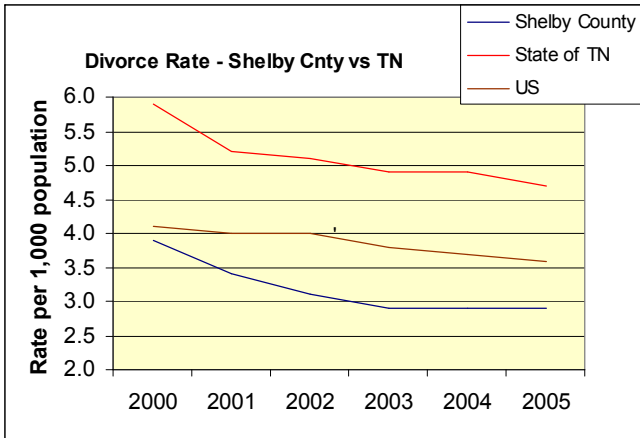
A Hope CCF Legacy Fund offers donors the unique opportunity to create a charitable legacy. Upon death, the fund would convert to an endowed fund whereby only the earnings from the fund or a percentage of the fund would be available for grant-making. This enables donors to create a charitable legacy beyond their lifetime by supporting the ministries that matter most to them even after their death.

Grants from the fund would be made to one or more non-profits specified by the donors prior to their death. A Legacy Fund is required to have a Mission Statement which would clearly outline the goals and objectives of the Legacy Fund including specific ministry or functional areas of focus or geographical areas which grants from the Fund are intended to benefit. In the event the charities specified by a donor were no longer functioning in a manner consistent with the Fund's Mission Statement, the Grant Committee of Hope Christian Community Foundation would approve grants only to non-profits whose purpose and operations were consistent with the Mission Statement of the Fund.

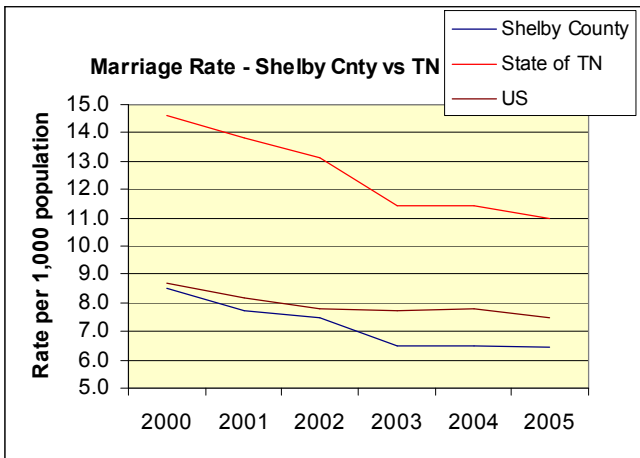
Depending on a donor's wishes, the Legacy Fund would make grants for a fixed number of years or into perpetuity (assuming satisfactory investment results). Oversight of the Fund's investment would be assumed by the Investment Committee of the Hope Christian Community Foundation. Investment objectives of the Fund would be consistent with those of an endowment fund, the time horizon of the fund and the Investment Policy of Hope Christian Community Foundation.

The State of the Family in Shelby County

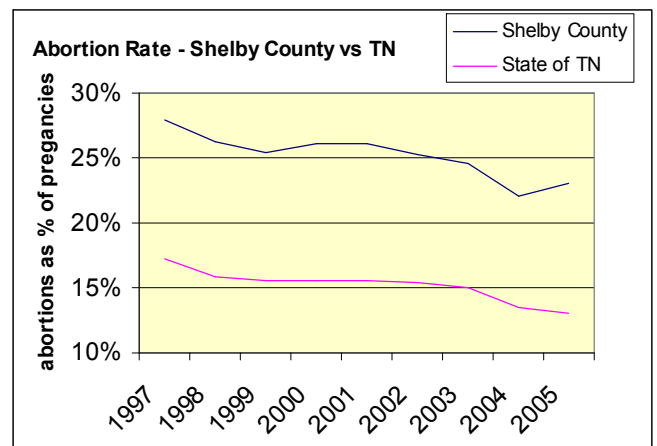
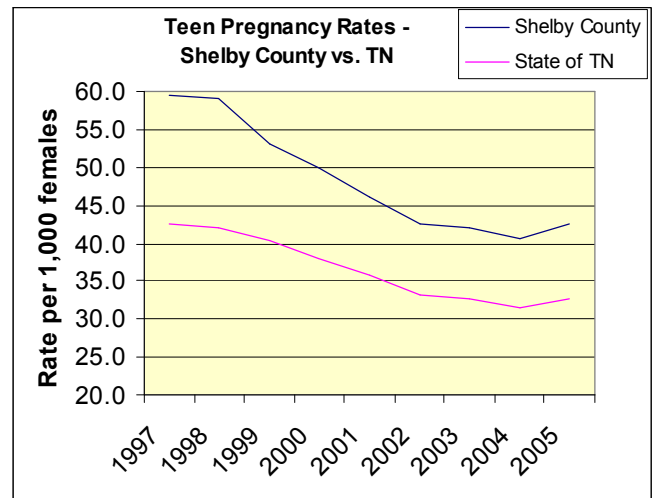
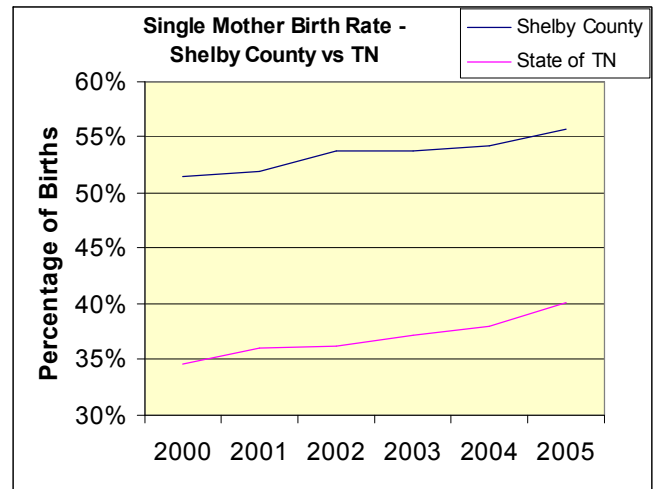
While Shelby County enjoys a low divorce rate compared to the U.S. and Tennessee...



it is largely attributable to the fact that marriage is occurring at a rate also below that of the U.S. and the State:



Although marriage rates have fallen, the number of births and abortions has declined only slightly as births to single mothers and teens have increased. The latter perhaps contributed to the increase in the rate of abortions which occurred in 2005. These numbers are shown in the charts on the right side of this page.



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