



We all want to invest in things that matter. When you invest in what God is doing at Arapaho UMC you are making a difference in the lives of real people in our community and around the world. We believe the church is the hope of the world, and funding the church is one of the greatest investments you can make in your life.

This brochure will help you understand the various ways you can invest in the mission of Arapaho UMC.

PRAYERS

PRESENCE

GIFTS

SERVICE

WITNESS



GENEROSITY

At Arapaho UMC

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WHAT IS RECURRING GIVING?

It is the most convenient way of prioritizing our giving back to God through Arapaho UMC on a regular basis using one of the many forms of electronic giving.

Why is Recurring Giving Important?

One of Five Rules of Life at Arapaho UMC is growing in financial generosity. We accomplish this by becoming a percentage giver and then increasing the percentage of our income we return to God toward a tithe (10% of our income) or greater (offerings & gifts above our first 10%). Recurring giving allows our gifts to be present, even when we are not.

How can I participate in Recurring Giving?

Arapaho UMC offers many ways to participate in recurring giving including automatic bank draft (preferred), debit or credit card and text-to-give. Each of these allows you to set up a recurring gift.

How will I participate in the act of worship in giving during the offering time if I use Recurring Giving?

Recurring giving offering cards are in the pew back pockets during worship services. People who give electronically are asked to place these cards in the offering plate as an act of worship.

What is the church's preferred method of Recurring Giving?

All forms of electronic giving are good, but some cost the church less than others. At present, giving by **automatic bank draft (ACH)** costs the church nothing to receive your gift. Recurring Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or depositing eCheck mailed from your bank may cost a few cents. When you give by debit/credit card or text-to-give, our church only receives 97.5% of each dollar you give because a processing fee is deducted and the church receives the remainder. These fees are used primarily to pay for benefits you receive like airline miles. If travel miles are important to you, we have created the option of adding back the 2.5% fee lost to the church with this kind of giving.

How do I get started?

It is simple. You can start today by going to www.arapahoumc.org/donate or use your mobile phone and text the word "Give" to 972-483-2862. For more information on ACH giving, you may also visit our website at www.arapahoumc.org/donate and scroll to the bottom of the page for details on setting up your automatic withdraws. If you have any questions, please email Beverly Thoes (AUMC Treasurer) at Beverly@arapahoumc.org.

Can I change my Bank Draft at any time?

Yes, you can change the dates, amounts, bank, account number or stop the draft with a 7-day notice to the church.

Do I have to enclose a voided check?

No. You do not have to enclose a voided check, although doing so will allow your church financial secretary to double check the information on your authorization form.

Where do I get my bank routing number and account number?

This information is found on your check. The illustration below shows you how to find them.

