

The Permanent Endowment Fund was created to provide a long-term resource that supports the goals and efforts of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Texas. It enables Sir Knights, their Ladies, and benefactors to provision and sustain our investments: in our youth, charities and the Grand Commandery itself. Options include one-time bequests, memorials, or measured timely contributions and honorariums.

Your financial assistance furthers the success of annual Grand Communications.

Each Grand Commander wears a white Permanent Endowment badge as a sign of his support. We invite you to join his efforts and become a part of this investment in our future.

The Permanent Endowment Fund will:

- ❖ Pay not less than 50% of the allowance designated to host a Grand Conclave
- ❖ Gift each youth organization not less than \$1000 per year to be presented by the Grand Commander or his representative at their annual stated meeting.
- ❖ Donate equal amounts to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund and the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, not to exceed \$500 each.
- ❖ Subsidize any such other item as voted on by this Grand Commandery, as funds allow.

The Permanent Endowment Badge

As shown in this leaflet, two badges are available, White and Red. The White badge sets in motion your membership. The basic badge is offered in two sizes (large 2 ½” or small 1¼”) for an initial \$250 donation. For each additional contribution of \$150 a diamond is mounted in the surrounding wreath area. Presently there are spaces for 20 diamonds. The starting donation may be for the badge and additional diamonds.

The prestigious Red badge is limited in quantity to 100 pieces. It is complete with all 20 spaces filled with diamonds. This sign of achievement is attained through a one-time payment of \$3,250.

Badges are typically awarded at the Grand Conclave, or presented locally by Grand Officer. Alternately, on request, they may be sent by mail.