Annual Fund and Distinguished Service Award Honorary Fund: As unrestricted funds, these funds each support association infrastructure including the website, online forums, and our newsletters and other print and electronic communications, all of which make delivering programs and benefits possible.

21st Century Fund: The purpose of the 21st Century Fund is to fund special initiatives and critical projects, like the most recent AAFCS Membership Survey, and help support members in need during times of transition or natural disaster via our dues hardship program.

Goebel-Young Leadership Fund: One of our most active funds, this fund supports leadership development in the profession. The fund supports the annual Fall Leadership Workshop for affiliate leaders and provided seed money for the AAFCS Leadership Academy, launched in 2015 to build leadership capacity in AAFCS.

Centennial Scholars Fund: This fund supports the Centennial Scholars Research Grant, created in honor of the Association’s 100th anniversary. Stimulating new and needed research advances the application of family and consumer sciences concepts and the study of the profession itself. For members to carry out the mission of AAFCS, a scientific basis for practice is critical. There are no restrictions on the research method to be employed, but three areas have priority for consideration:

- Research focusing on elements of the family and consumer sciences body of knowledge, incorporating the holistic, integrative nature of the field.
- Research on the history and contributions of the profession and of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.
- Trends and issues affecting the family and consumer sciences profession.

Chalkley-Fenn Public Policy Fund: This fund supports the Chalkley-Fenn Public Policy Visiting Scholar Award, established in 1990 to honor Gladys Branegan Chalkley, president and treasurer of AAFCS from 1940-1942. Dr. Chalkley founded the Montana Affiliate of AAFCS, as well as the state’s dietetic association and its chapter of the American Association of University Women. The scholarship is also funded by a gift from the estate of Geraldine G. Fenn, a South Dakota native who was an Extension 4-H Specialist in Montana. After retirement, Fenn spearheaded development of the Montana 4-H Foundation for Montana and served as a youth advocate at state and national levels. Today, it is supported by donations from AAFCS members who believe in public policy and the utility of civic engagement. It is awarded in even numbered years, depending on availability of funds.

Teacher of the Year Fund: The AAFCS National Teacher of the Year award was established in 1974 to recognize exemplary teachers who utilize cutting-edge methods, techniques, and activities to provide stimulus and visibility to family and consumer sciences in elementary and secondary education. This fund supports the promotion of the Award and recognition of the recipients.
Lifetime Membership: This category is available to members in two different tiers: $2,500 upon retirement or $2,000 upon reaching 50-year membership status. For each of these amounts, $500 is a tax-deductible contribution. For questions or to enroll, call 703-706-4606 or email membership@aafcs.org.

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