

Yes! I want to join the N-SSA Advance Guard and be recognized.

I pledge to become an Advance Guard member and donate according to the following. I understand the principal will remain in the endowment and will only be used to generate interest income to sustain the N-SSA.

Choose one of the following:

One time donation of \$2,000

Or Conditional Endowment

24 monthly Payments of \$84.00 40 monthly payments of \$50.00

I cannot join at this time but want to support* the Endowment Fund with a donation of \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email _____

Your N-SSA #: _____ Team #: _____

Signature: _____

For more information, please contact:

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Or Wayne Jordan wvjordan@aol.com

Make all donations payable to **N-SSA Endowment Fund** and send to:

N-SSA Endowment Fund

c/o Wayne Jordan

8606 Eagle Glen Terrace

Fairfax Station, VA 22039



*Supporting donors will be recognized in the Society of Color Bearers

Frequently Asked Questions:

What is an Endowment Fund:

An endowment is a donation of money or property to a nonprofit organization, which uses the resulting investment income for a sustainable source of funds for the organization. Endowments are designed to keep the principal amount intact while using the investment income for guided efforts. The principal is permanently restricted from being spent and is used for investment only. The fund will grow over time as the principal is left in the fund.

What is the goal:

A \$1,000,000 endowment fund goal was set as it will provide an annual income to the N-SSA of approximately \$40,000 a year without ever touching the principal. This will be a sustainable source of income independent of other donations for the organization.

Why is this being done:

An endowment will help to secure the financial viability of the N-SSA for the future and ensure that the organization will be here for the next generation of skirmishers.

Secure the future of the N-SSA, join the Advance Guard today!

What are the funds used for:

Creating an endowment is an important strategy that sets aside funds for the future and is a hallmark of financial sustainability.

Endowments may generally be described as assets (usually cash accounts that are invested in equities or bonds, or other investment vehicles) set aside so that the original assets grow over time through income earned from interest on the underlying invested funds.

- *The funds are expected to exist in perpetuity and the principal is not used for expenses.*
- *The goal with endowments is to allow the principal to grow without withdrawals so that the underlying investment increases in value over time, and the interest earned is available every year for the funding of organizational projects.*

How will the funds be managed/handled:

The funds will be invested in secure instruments and managed by an outside investment company. Similar to how an IRA or 401(k) is handled. Interest income will depend on market conditions but 4% has historically been a safe income figure. Over time the fund will grow as the investments increase in value and if interest is reinvested in the fund when not needed for projects.

Are my donations tax deductible:

Yes, the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc. is an IRS designated 501(c)3 organization so all donations are tax deductible.

How are Advance Guard Donors Recognized?

Donors who reach the \$2,000 level will be recognized with an Advance Guard Pin, a frameable certificate, and have their name on the Advance Guard Endowment Plaque in the N-SSA Historical Center. Other acknowledgements of Advance Guard members may also be done with Board approval.