



About Bob and Peggy Walter

Born and raised in Columbus, Ohio, the Walters were blessed to grow up in loving, stable, faith-filled families, and grateful for the strong foundation this provided as they built their life together and raised three sons. Their parents demonstrated what it meant to “love thy neighbor.” The Walters watched their parents live out their faith through acts of kindness towards others and offering help in times of need to friends, acquaintances, and sometimes even strangers. They aspired to model their parents’ examples of lifting people up.

The Walters recognize not all children were born into stable and supportive families like they were, that many families need some extra support to stay on a positive path in life, and a high-quality education can significantly impact a person’s life trajectory. Their philanthropic efforts reflect this recognition. The Walters believe their ability to give comes from many blessings in life, and sharing their blessings with others brings them great joy.

The Walter Foundation leverages transformational giving in order to *uplift people, strengthen nonprofit organizations, and inspire others to give.*

Enabling Transformational Growth Through Active Philanthropy

As founder and retired CEO of Cardinal Health, a global, integrated healthcare services and products company, Bob had a passion for improving patient lives and a reputation for giving back to the community. Peggy worked on behalf of children’s and arts initiatives in several professional and volunteer roles throughout her life. Bob’s entrepreneurialism and Peggy’s hands-on volunteerism have shaped their personal commitment and approach to lifting up others through **active philanthropy**.

The Walters believe active philanthropy has the power to enable transformational growth for nonprofit organizations and the people they serve. This occurs through early investments in projects that help strengthen nonprofit organizations and advance their work in a more strategic and sustainable way. It reflects an entrepreneurial spirit that begins with an early financial investment and includes an active partnership between the Walter Foundation and the nonprofit to provide additional expertise and resources.



This transformational giving approach goes beyond financial support. It leverages Walter Foundation internal expertise, outside consulting resources, financial and management support, and other community assets to ensure Walter Foundation nonprofit partners are well positioned to support the children and families that benefit from their services. By bringing additional resources to the table, nonprofits develop the capacity, business acumen, and sustainable

operations necessary to thrive in often evolving and uncertain circumstances.

Active philanthropy also includes inspiring other partners to invest alongside the Walter Foundation, in order to help enhance or extend a project or initiative. Collaborating with other potential investors broadens the scope of funding and expertise that may be available to a nonprofit.

Grantmaking Focus Areas

The Walter Foundation prioritizes its grantmaking around three core focus areas: **Education, Children's Health & Well-being,** and **Family Stabilization.** Woven throughout these areas is an overarching commitment to lifting up the most vulnerable in our society while strengthening the nonprofit partners who lead this work.



Education

Rooted in the belief that everyone deserves a quality education, the Walter Foundation provides access to educational opportunities with an emphasis on pre-K through college.



Children's Health & Well-being

Ensuring children can thrive by helping to meet basic needs, increasing access to health care, and providing opportunities and experiences that allow them to simply be a kid.



Family Stabilization

Empowering families as they work to overcome barriers in life that hinder their socioeconomic, physical, and emotional well-being.

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