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 □ I wish for my donation to support the establishment of an Awards Endowment Fund. □ I wish for my donation to be allocated to the RNA Society General Fund. □ I would like to split my donation between support for the Awards Endowment Fund and General Fund (For donations of \$500 or more). Awards Endowment amount: \$ 				

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RECOGNITION LEVELS

<u>Annual Recognition</u> (Donations in a given Fiscal Year)

Gold Circle: \$1,000 or more Silver Circle: \$500–\$999 Bronze Circle: \$100–\$499 Supporter: up to \$99 <u>Lifetime Recognition</u> (Cumulative donations)

Lifetime Benefactor: \$50,000 or more Lifetime Patron: \$25,000–\$49,999 Lifetime Sponsor: \$10,000–\$24,999 Lifetime Supporter: \$5,000–\$9,999

In gratitude for your support of the RNA SOCIETY and its mission, donors will be recognized at the above contribution levels in the Program of the Annual Meeting of the RNA Society and in the Annual Report of the Society. Annual recognition will be published for donations received within the previous calendar year. Lifetime recognition will be published in the year that the donation is received, and each year hence. If you choose to donate anonymously, your name will not be listed and instead will be published as an anonymous donation. If you choose to donate in in honor or memory of someone else, we ask that you provide permission to print their name.

ESTABLISHING AN AWARDS ENDOWMENT FUND

The RNA SOCIETY is currently soliciting donations to support establishment of an Awards Endowment Fund to sustain our current awards program and to introduce new award categories in recognition of the research, leadership, and service accomplishments of our members. An Awards Endowment Fund provides a framework for management of donations and guidelines that ensure sustainable growth and longevity of your contribution that is not achievable with donations to the General Fund. The endowment fund will be established with an initial amount of \$250,000 and will grow with continued fundraising. All funds marked above for the Awards Endowment Fund will be exclusively applied for establishment of the endowment.

THE GENERAL FUND

The General Fund of the RNA SOCIETY supports its annual operational and programing costs. Donations that are not otherwise dedicated to the Award Endowment Fund will be placed in the General Fund so as to provide the Society with flexibility to sustain and grow. Donations to the general fund may be used by the Society for any purpose, including support for member recruitment and retention, new programing and member enhancement initiatives, and/or administrative and operating costs. Donations to this fund are not sustainable, but rather help to ensure the Society can successfully fulfill its current operations while exploring new opportunities to serve our members and RNA researchers worldwide.

SUPPORTING INITIATIVES OF YOUR CHOICE

If you prefer to make a donation to the **RNA SOCIETY** for any other purpose, or wish to discuss other means of financially supporting the Society, please contact fundraising@rnasociety.org — we are happy to work with you to implement your goals for the RNA research community. The **RNA SOCIETY** is grateful for your consideration in your charitable planning and please note that all donations are tax deductible (the **RNA SOCIETY** is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization in the USA).