Bates College Reunion Counting

What Counts as a Reunion Gift?

*Any* gift to *any* designation counts toward the overall Reunion class gift and participation percentage. During Reunion weekend we’ll report out two totals: (1) The Bates Fund total and (2) Overall Reunion Gift.

1. Bates Fund
   - The Bates Fund is the college’s annual fund for current-use gifts. It supports the fundamental aspects of the Bates education. It is one subset of the overall Reunion class gift.
   - The Gift Committee will focus on a Bates Fund goal (similar to the class agent fundraising efforts in non-Reunion years).
   - We no longer differentiate between Bates Fund participation and overall participation. Every gift counts towards the class participation.
   - The following designations fall under the Bates Fund:
     - Academic Excellence
     - Annual Library Purchases
     - The Arts
     - Friends of Bates Athletics (general athletics fund or a specific team)
     - Scholarships/Financial Aid
     - Residential Life

2. Overall Reunion Gift
   - The overall Reunion class gift includes any gift to any designation made in the current fiscal year AND forward-looking multi-year pledges.
   - In addition to Bates Fund gifts, the overall total includes gifts to:
     - Current capital projects, restricted uses, or endowed funds
     - Planned gifts
     - Face value of all assets used to establish (or make additions to):
       - Charitable Gift Annuities
       - Charitable Trusts (internally and externally managed)
       - Pooled Income and Pooled Growth Funds

What Assets May be Used?

- Cash or credit card gifts
- Appreciated securities
- IRA distributions
- Life insurance
- Real estate, partial or future interests in real estate
- Tangible personal property
- Closely held stock or business interests