

The 2086 Society: 2023-2025

The 2086 Society was established by the FFI board of directors in 2018 to reinforce FFI's role as a leader in advancing the field of family enterprise through its core strategies of education, research, and public awareness — and to build on its mission to be the most influential global network of thought leaders in the field of family enterprise. The year 2086 will be FFI's centennial anniversary. The name of the 2086 Society reflects FFI's commitment to shaping the field far into the future.

Sincere thanks go to the founding members: Patricia Annino, Fredda Herz Brown, John Davis, Nancy Drozdow, Judy Green, and Paul Karofsky.

Five years later, the FFI board is reaffirming its commitment to the 2086 Society which has made notable contributions to the field through sponsored multidisciplinary research, a futurist -in-residence, and financial contributions to FFI itself. <https://www.ffi.org/research/>

For the next three years, FFI is inviting leaders in the field who have received any of the following awards to consider participating: Richard Beckhard Award, Barbara Hollander Award, Interdisciplinary Award, or the International Award. Interested parties, who qualify, should email Judy Green (judy@ff.org) before December 1, 2022. Membership in the 2086 Society is capped at eight members for 2023-2025.

Beginning on January 1, 2023, members of the 2086 Society will:

- Commit to 2 or 3 years of membership with an annual contribution of \$5000/year.
- Meet periodically, either in person or by Zoom to discuss the parameters and process for each year's award. The parameters may include:
 - Identifying major research themes critical to advancing the field
 - Identifying individuals to be "scholars/futurists/professionals in-residence" with FFI
 - Other avenues to advance to the field beyond what is being done within FFI major initiatives
 - Oversee the strategy chosen in collaboration with the FFI management team.
- Select the winning candidate or candidates in each year and suggest ways that the research or identified person can reach the broadest audience in the field
- Recommend to the FFI board of directors the amount of funding to be allocated each year, subject to the board's guidelines which are: up to 50% of the monies raised each year can be used to fund a 2086 initiative; 15% of the funds will be retained for operating purposes by FFI; the remaining 35% of the funds will be added to FFI's reserves for FFI's long-term use in funding projects to carry out its overall mission. In the event that the 2086 Society does not recommend that 50% of the available funds be used to fund 2086 initiative in a particular year, the balance may be retained in the FFI Legacy Fund to be used by the FFI board of directors at its discretion for other research related projects.

All research funded by 2086 Society contributions will be owned by FFI. In the case of reports, the research authors will be granted a non-exclusive license to use the results of the research subject to FFI's advance approval and provided that FFI is identified in any subsequent publications as the original funder of the research. While publication in FFI's journal, *Family Business Review (FBR)*, can be sought by the authors, it is not a requirement that the research be submitted to or published in *FBR*.