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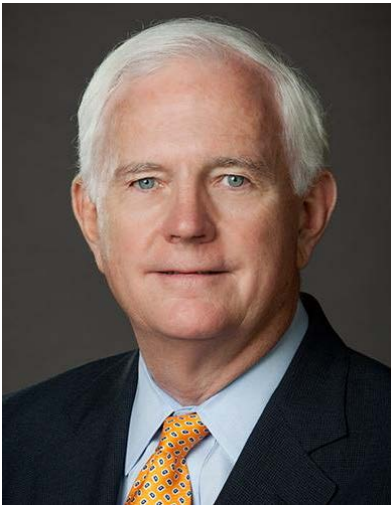
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## Murdock Trust Welcomes Eugene Cochrane, Jr. as Visiting Scholar



VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON— The M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust is pleased to welcome Eugene Cochrane, Jr. as its new visiting scholar. Cochrane comes from serving as president of the Duke Endowment, one of the nation’s leading philanthropies, based in Charlotte, NC. Cochrane joined the Endowment in 1980 after serving as a hospital administrator. At the Endowment, he served as director of health care and as executive vice president prior to becoming president in 2005.

“Dr. Cochrane is an experienced leader in philanthropy and nonprofits who will provide wide and broad-ranging council to our work and the work of our partners,” said Steve Moore, executive director at the Murdock Trust.

Cochrane brings leadership and knowledge of health care, one of the areas served by the Murdock Trust. He also serves on the board of the Council of Foundations, the Kate B. Reynolds Trust and as former board chair of Grantmakers in Health. He has been an active leader in numerous county, state and national organizations. He was board treasurer of Southeastern Council of Foundations and a founding board member of the North Carolina Network of Grantmakers.

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Visiting scholars advise the Trust on grantmaking, program support and innovations in nonprofit leadership. They are available to serve and consult constituencies of the Northwest region served by Murdock. For more information or to contact Dr. Cochrane, email [info@murdocktrust.org](mailto:info@murdocktrust.org).

### ABOUT M. J. MURDOCK CHARITABLE TRUST

M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust, created by the will of the late Melvin J. (Jack) Murdock, provides grants to organizations in five states of the Pacific Northwest—Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington—that seek to strengthen the region’s educational and cultural base in creative and sustainable ways. Since its inception in 1975, the Murdock Trust has awarded nearly 6,000 grants totaling more than \$850 million. It is one of the most active regional or national foundations working in the Pacific Northwest.

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