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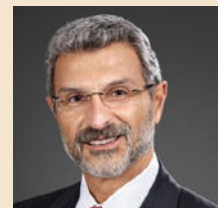
The 2021 GIVING GUIDE

What inspires you to give?

My family and I have been given a lot by this country since we immigrated 35 years ago. We feel that giving back is a way to show gratitude for all that we've been given. I am blessed to have worked with a group of people for many years who have shared the same perspective on giving back to the communities we are a part of. The advancement of public education is a major focus, because that is the only way we're going to narrow the gap between social classes and provide opportunities for those who want to reach their full potential.

Summarize a personal experience you've had working with a nonprofit org that has had the greatest impact on you.

What we're experiencing with the pandemic reminds me of what I experienced during the civil war in Lebanon. I was volunteering at the American Hospital, and spent 80 days in the operating room helping doctors and nurses who were treating serious injuries and dealing with multiple casualties. It really helped me develop a perspective in my life and understand the difference between a problem and an inconvenience. It also gave me a strong appreciation for first responders, and the men and women on the front lines. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the first responders.



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