Wellesley’s endowment is the cornerstone of the College’s financial strength—providing 42% of the operating budget in FY23—and is essential to the College’s investment in students, faculty, and programs. Gifts made to Wellesley’s endowment are considered to be made in perpetuity and are carefully invested to ensure the College has a strong foundation to support new knowledge discovery for current and future generations.

On June 30, 2023, the endowment had a market value of $2.889 billion. This was an increase of $42 million from the previous year, when the endowment ended fiscal year 2022 at $2.847 billion.