



## **About Virginia Fund Raising Institute (VFRI)**

The Virginia Fund Raising Institute (VFRI) is a cooperative effort of six of the [Association of Fundraising Professionals](#) (AFP) Virginia Chapters through the AFP Virginia Caucus. These chapters organize annually to coordinate VFRI and advance philanthropy through education and fellowship.

- [First Virginia Chapter \(Roanoke\)](#)
- [Central Chapter \(Richmond\)](#)
- [Hampton Roads Chapter \(Norfolk\)](#)
- [Piedmont Chapter \(Lynchburg\)](#)
- [Shenandoah Chapter \(Harrisonburg\)](#)
- [Tri-State Chapter \(Winchester\)](#)

The Virginia Fund Raising Institute, founded in 1992, hosts interactive educational workshops and several keynote presentations designed to inspire and equip development professionals, board members, and executive directors to excel in fundraising and nonprofit management. In addition, 15-20 exhibitors and sponsors bring their knowledge and counsel in nonprofit and volunteer management to VFRI and help you be successful. At VFRI, development and nonprofit executives can take advantage of professional networking, workshops, and roundtable discussions to gain valuable insights into the challenges facing the nonprofit world.

For additional information about VFRI please visit: <http://www.vfri.org/>



## **II. Rationale for Attendance**

**Please explain, in the space provided or on a separate document, why you would like to attend the conference or course and the benefits of your participation.**

The intent of this scholarship program is to make available continuing educational opportunities, which would not otherwise be available to the participant.

Please answer the following questions:

Would you be able to attend the program without this scholarship?  Yes  No

Does your organization budget for conferences/seminars?  Yes  No

*If yes, explain why the budget will not allow you to attend this particular program:*

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Do you work for a 501(c)(3) organization?  Yes  No

Please state the total budget of your 501 (c)(3) organization \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you work for a for-profit consulting firm?  Yes  No

Have you previously received an AFP-HR scholarship?  Yes  No

*If yes, please indicate when* \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to complete and return the post-conference Evaluation Form and Final Accounting Form. Also, I agree to submit a copy of a receipt of registration for the conference.

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Applicant's Signature Date

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All applications must be received by May 1, 2018. Return the form to: Homer Babbitt, Scholarship Committee Chair, 1 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA 23510 or email application to [homer.babbitt@norfolk.gov](mailto:homer.babbitt@norfolk.gov). For questions call Homer Babbitt at 757-664-1046.