



June 2021

AFP-CAC Monthly Newsletter



June Foundation Panel

Join the Association for Fundraising Professionals - Capital Area Chapter for our next program on June 15 featuring six local funders who will discuss their funding priorities and best practices for grant applications.

[Register Now!](#)

Reminders

AFP Affinity Group Meetings

Are you interested in having thoughtful conversation with like-minded fundraising professionals related to various topics in fundraising? Consider registering for one of AFP's upcoming affinity group meetings!

[Upcoming Meetings](#)

Member Exclusive Promo Code

As a thank you for sticking through the tough times with us, and to help continue

your growth in 2021, AFP is providing a \$40 credit to members on your next online learning opportunity through June 30, 2021.

**Get the
Code**

Member Spotlight

Becky Jo Farrington - Associate Director of Development at Michigan State

University College of Natural Science

AFP-CAC Membership Chair



Why did you join AFP-CAC and what value does it bring you?

In 2013, I joined the fundraising team for the College of Natural Science at MSU, I was excited for the opportunity to join AFP-CAC as a member and attended my first "ICON" conference in San Antonio. I learned SO MUCH over three days. To be in a room with hundreds of other professional fundraisers, from all over the world, was truly inspiring. Again, I came back to my work following the conference with renewed enthusiasm and knowledge.

About a year after joining AFP-CAC I was approached to join the Board of Directors and serve as Programs Chair. I was surprised as I thought I was too inexperienced to be on the board, much less in charge of something! I ended up accepting to take the role and I am so glad I did. Being on the AFP-CAC board has provided me with the opportunity to develop my leadership skills and grow my confidence as a fundraising professional, which I believe has directly contributed to my professional growth over the past eight years.

One of the most fulfilling aspects about serving on the AFP-CAC Board has been working with fellow board members to make AFP-CAC a place where professional fundraisers can come together and find community. The AFP-CAC provides a place

to connect with our fellow fundraising colleagues and share inspiration, innovation, and ideas. Most importantly, especially in the last year, it is a place where we come together and support one another. Being a member also has great perks that even I forget about. For instance, did you know that your AFP membership provides you free access to AFP Connect - an online forum where thousands of fundraisers can interact and even get help with questions? To see more about what an AFP membership offers, [click here](#).

For those who are already members, *thank you*, and for those who are not yet members, I hope you will consider joining us! [Click here](#) to be directed to the AFP's membership page where you can learn even more about the benefits of membership and the different membership levels available. No matter your membership status, please reach out if you have any questions, want to float an idea, or if you wish to further engage with the AFP-CAC.

Thank you to all of our new and renewing members!

Renewing:

Dawn Bell, CEO of Early Childhood Investment Corporation

Erin O'Rourke, Fund Development Assistant at Potter Park Zoological Society

Cheryl Sclater, Officer at ELGA Credit Union Foundation For Impact

Cindy Watters, Senior Development Officer at the Sparrow Foundation

New:

Michelle Weinfeld, Community Outreach Coordinator at the
Ronald McDonald House of Mid-Michigan

Become a Member!

If you're not already a member of AFP, we invite you to join! With your membership, you will enjoy a wealth of career-building programs, educational resources, networking opportunities and exclusive member discounts. [Learn More](#)

Announcements

BE the CAUSE Campaign



With several other sources of funding, supports Professional Development Grants, known as the Chamberlain Scholarship Program. These grants are provided to first-time attendees at the AFP International

[To donate, click here](#)

Conference on Fundraising. The conference provides an opportunity for nonprofit professionals to develop their knowledge and skills in fundraising, while exchanging ideas with colleagues around the world.

Want to know about all of our events at AFP-CAC? Visit our website!

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