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Last Chance to Submit Your Distinguished Volunteer!

Deadline Extended to Friday, September 21st!

Is there a volunteer at your organization that directly contributes to your success? One who inspires you with their passion and motivation for your cause?

Do you have a board member that always goes the extra mile - closing the gap on donations or always willing to do what they can to help out?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you have a Distinguished Volunteer!

Please celebrate them, their commitment to your organization and philanthropy as a whole at the 27th annual National Philanthropy Day dinner on November 8th at The Henry in Dearborn. You'll simply fill out the form here and tell us a bit about your volunteer. Their photo and bio will be included in the program book that will be available at the National Philanthropy Day dinner. We only ask that you host your volunteer at the event.

Submit your Distinguished Volunteers by Friday, September 21st.
Partner with AFP for National Philanthropy Day!

Become a Sponsor by September 28th for Recognition in the Program and on Signage!

Would you like to reach hundreds of philanthropists, distinguished volunteers, and individuals active in nonprofits throughout Southeastern Michigan?

If your answer is yes, then consider partnering with the AFP Greater Detroit Chapter for National Philanthropy Day!

On November 8th, National Philanthropy Day will honor the great contribution that philanthropists and volunteers have made to our lives, community, and nation. Generous support from organizations such as yours will help to advance the education of fundraising professionals, while offering maximum exposure for your organization. Submit your sponsorship commitment by September 29 for recognition in the event program and on event signage.

Do not miss this opportunity to get your organization's name in front of more than 700 community boosters, business leaders, philanthropists and volunteers in Southeast Michigan! For more information, visit the Sponsorship Page on the AFP website or contact Sponsorship Committee Chair Rebecca Hepner.

Celebrate Philanthropy at the 27th Annual National Philanthropy Day Dinner!
National Philanthropy Day is the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Greater Detroit Chapter's premier event to celebrate and honor the passion, commitment and leadership of Southeastern Michigan's philanthropists, distinguished volunteers and those in the fundraising profession.

There are many ways to be involved with this wonderful event; become a sponsor, submit a distinguished volunteer(s), and of course, attend! For those organizations that have not attended or may have skipped a year, we hope you'll join us this year. You and your organization will not be disappointed!

Registration is open! So don't miss out on celebrating philanthropy and all the positives, both large and small, that have resulted in making our community a better place!

Register Here!

Official NPD Media Sponsor:

This Wednesday: Don't Miss Retention Is the New Acquisition!

Retention Is the New Acquisition
September 19, 8:30 - 10:30 AM
Red Run Golf Club, Royal Oak

The donor landscape is vast, with donors of all different levels requiring specialized and personal attention. How do we know how to best connect with our donors to retain them as crucial parts to the furthering of our mission while identifying future major donors? Phoenix Innovate will show us how to prioritize our databases and leverage our relationships to provide
Featuring Mike Watson and Trish Dewald of Phoenix Innovate.

AFP Member: $35
Non-Member: $50
Collegiate Member: $17.50

Approved CFRE credit hours: 1.5

Register Here!

Apply for a Chamberlain Scholarship Today!

Each year, AFP International offers the Chamberlain Scholarship Program to assist outstanding AFP members who have never before attended an AFP International Conference. Each chapter is invited to select one Chamberlain Scholar.

The AFP Greater Detroit Chapter's Chamberlain Scholar recipient will attend the AFP International Conference in San Antonio, TX, March 31 - April 2, 2019.

To qualify, you must be an AFP Greater Detroit member in good standing for at least three years, employed as a fundraising professional, never attended an AFP International Conference, and agree to complete an online evaluation about your experience at the conference.

The Chamberlain Scholar receives $500 to cover AFP International Conference registration (scholars must pay $10 to register).

Applications for the 2019 AFP International Conference must be submitted by October 14th.

"It has been an honor and a pleasure to represent the AFP GDC at the International Fundraising Conference in New Orleans, LA. Continuing to learn about advances in the fundraising profession while building a professional network are only two benefits of attending. This year, the conference had a focus on diversity and it was inspirational to hear the closing keynote speaker, Bryan Stevenson, Founder and Executive Director of the Equal Justice Initiative deliver his address. I can't wait to do it all over again next year! Thank you, AFP GDC Board of Directors, for selecting me to participate."

Sommer Brock, CFRE (pictured right)
2018 Chamberlain Scholarship recipient
The AFP Foundation for Philanthropy is pleased to once again offer the DiverseCommunities Scholarship program for members of diverse communities to attend the AFP International Fundraising Conference in San Antonio, TX, March 31 - April 2, 2019.

AFP is pleased to offer $1,500 scholarships ($799 conference registration fee + some travel expenses) for each of the currently identified AFP diverse communities. THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to the diversity scholarship campaign, for your generosity and for helping to ensure the success of this program.

AFP’s diverse communities include: African-American/Black, Asian, People with Disabilities, Faith-based, LGBTQ, Hispanic, Jewish, Rural, or another underrepresented community.

The application process will open September 1 - October 31, 2018. **Deadline for application submission is October 31, 2018.** Selected candidates will be notified by email by December 1, 2018.

2019 Diverse Communities Scholarship Application

This scholarship opportunity is open to members and nonmembers and we encourage you to share this with the colleagues in your personal and professional networks.

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**President’s Letter**

Dear AFP Members and Friends,

As we are all ramping up for the busy and critical fourth quarter, it’s no different here at your AFP Greater Detroit Chapter. As you’ll see in this newsletter, there are two programs taking place this month, including one this Wednesday that you can still register for. The chapter membership meeting on September 28 will feature additional chapter information and networking opportunities to help you get the most from your membership. October brings the half-day IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access) program on October 8, featuring speaker Huda Essa, who is not to be missed. I encourage you to register now and invite colleagues from throughout your organization to join you for this compelling and thought-provoking program.

If you haven’t already registered to attend the National Philanthropy Day Dinner on November 8, please consider this week how you might use this opportunity to honor your organization's Distinguished Volunteers. You can still submit your DVs through Friday, but that is the final deadline! Think about those whose commitment has made an impact on your organization recently, or over the years. Perhaps you are wrapping up a campaign, or have board members or committee chairs completing their term of service. Now is the time to honor their generous spirit.

Looking forward to connecting at one of these upcoming opportunities!
Tricia Brosnanahan, CFRE
President, AFP Greater Detroit Chapter

Apply for A Membership Scholarship Today- Deadline Extended to September 22nd!

Have you, someone you know or one of your colleagues always been interested in becoming an AFP member, but the price is holding you back? Do you think that being a part of the educational and networking opportunities of AFP could help your organization grow stronger? If so, please consider applying for a member scholarship!

Applications are now open to win a scholarship to become an AFP member. This scholarship is open to fundraisers at all stages of their career and open to new and previous AFP members. Applications are **due by September 22nd** and memberships are set to go into effect in October. Please encourage all interested parties to apply today!

If you have questions, please contact Kristin Rossi at krossi@alz.org or 248-996-1063.

Click [here](#) to get more information about AFP and get information on upcoming events and programs.

[Apply Here!](#)

Upcoming Programs

**Chapter Meeting & Career Development Program: Excel as a Major Gifts Officer**

**September 28, 8:00 - 10:00 AM**
at Alzheimer's Association

Join the AFP Greater Detroit Chapter for its next chapter meeting! Make your membership work for you-use this opportunity to come together to share and learn with your colleagues and peers.

Following the chapter meeting, Melissa Weisse, Chief Philanthropy Officer at Leader Dogs for the Blind, will be speaking on The Keys to Success: How to Excel as a Major Gifts Officer. For more information on Melissa, click [here](#).

For more information, click [here](#).

[Register Here!](#)
From Me to We: Understanding and Mitigating the Negative Impact of Unintentional Unconscious Bias

October 9, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
at UM-Dearborn

Featuring consultant, author, and TED speaker Huda Essa of Culture Links, LLC (more about Huda).

Huda Essa leads this interactive workshop to expand our understanding of unconscious bias and learn ways we can positively impact our sector as fundraising professionals. Join AFP GDC and guests to strengthen your knowledge and support efforts of inclusion, diversity, equity and access.

For more information, click here.

Register Here!

Elements of Fundraising

October 11, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
at Washtenaw Community College

This workshop, presented in a roundtable fashion, will provide information on specific fundraising elements including: Annual Giving, Special Events, First Time Donors, Social Media, and Stewardship. The presenters are all fundraisers in Washtenaw County.

For more information, including a list of speakers, click here.

Register Here!

Job Listings

Job Seekers
Looking for a new opportunity? Click here to see available positions.

Employers
Have an open position you are looking to fill with a great development professional?

Post your open position to the AFP Greater Detroit Chapter job page and connect to nearly 400 chapter members and their networks of development professionals.

We'll even send your listing out via e-mail to all active AFP Greater Detroit members!

$100 AFP Greater Detroit Members
$200 Non-Members

Want more information? Click here to visit AFP Greater Detroit's job center or contact Paula Durant at PDurant@michiganhumane.org.

A special thank you to Non-Profit Personnel Network for sponsoring AFP- Greater Detroit Chapter's monthly job posting e-mails!

Join AFP Greater Detroit
It's a Great Time to Become a Member!

For 50 years, AFP has been the standard for professionalism in fundraising. Learn more about AFP, its activities and people, and how you can be involved.

To join online, go to [www.afpnet.org](http://www.afpnet.org). For a list of AFP Membership Benefits, click here.

Questions? Call the AFP Membership Department at (800) 666-3863.

Want to join AFP Greater Detroit? Click [here](http://www.afpnet.org).