



# February Newsletter

## Bringing in 2024: A Letter From AFP President, Amanda Jenkins

Hi Everyone,

I'm Amanda Jenkins, your President for the **Association of Fundraising Professionals Greater Cincinnati** chapter for 2024. It's a great honor to step into this role, and I'm buzzing with a mixture of excitement and a healthy dose of nerves.

Taking on the development world can be a daunting journey, filled with unique challenges. Many of you may be navigating this field for the first time, and I want you to know that our chapter is here to support you every step of the way. Our aim is to ensure that this chapter acts as a beacon for those venturing into development by offering guidance, support, and a community ready to welcome everyone with open arms.



Our focus is on enhancing member engagement and ensuring our chapter's vibrant future. To this end, we're in the process of adding a full-time staff member dedicated to supporting our activities and initiatives. Achieving a leading role in the philanthropic community demands consistent, passionate leadership, and we are on the path to solidifying that presence.

I'm thrilled to be working with an incredible team of both returning and newly elected **board members** and committee volunteers. Together, we're dedicated to creating exceptional educational and networking opportunities tailored to meet the needs of fundraising professionals, whether you're just starting out or looking to deepen your expertise.

I look forward to connecting with many of you at AFP events throughout the year and building a supportive, dynamic community together!

## Don't Miss Our Upcoming Events and Deadlines!

**March 6** | Networking & Knowledge

**March 8** | **DEADLINE** - Scholarship Application

**March 15 | DEADLINE** - Mentoring Program Application

**March 18, 19, 20** | Fundamentals of Fundraising Course

**April 3** | Networking & Knowledge

**April 9** | 411 on the CFRE

**2024 Scholarship  
Applications**

**2024 Mentoring Program  
Applications**

## Benefits of Your AFP Membership:

February's highlighted benefit:



Members receive a discount to attend the **AFP ICON** held each spring which brings more than 3,000 fundraising professionals together and offers over one hundred educational sessions.

**AFP ICON**

## CFRE Certification News:



*"Because fundraising was my second career, earning the CFRE provided me with a greater understanding of the depth of this field. I was able to see how my skills fit within the broad picture of the nonprofit sector, and confidently move forward with passion for my organization's mission and our work with donors."*

*-Leah Bobbey, CFRE  
Greater Cincinnati Foundation*

The next CFRE testing window is April 15 - June 15.

The **Application Deadline is April 15th** if you are planning to take your CFRE test during this window.





## Support Diversity and Inclusion in the Fundraising Community!

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