

August Newsletter



Your Voice, Heard: 2025 Membership Survey Results

We're excited—and grateful! —that 92 members, or 25% of our chapter, responded to the 2025 Membership Survey. That's a huge turnout and a clear signal: you care deeply about AFP Cincinnati's future. These results highlighted:

- Overall member satisfaction
- What our members value the most
- What you'd love to see more of from this chapter

Your feedback gives us incredible insight into what matters most to our members and where we're headed together. Our board (pictured above) is working to incorporate this feedback into the strategic plan. Click the button below to view a snapshot of the results!

[Survey Results](#)

Virtual Webinar with Dr. Russell James on Sept. 8

A portrait of Russell James, a man with glasses, wearing a white shirt, a patterned tie, and a brown vest. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera.

RUSSELL JAMES

PROFESSOR IN THE SCHOOL
OF FINANCIAL PLANNING
AT TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

SEPT. 8

TOP 10 LEGACY FUNDRAISING STRATEGIES *from* SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

After twenty years in academic research (plus more than a decade in frontline planned and major gifts fundraising), Professor James brings together scientific results from economics, neuroscience, psychology, demographics, and other disciplines to present the ten most important and effective strategies for increasing fundraising success in planned gifts.

While this event is designed for fundraising leaders, EVERY fundraiser—no matter your experience level—will gain valuable insights that will help your fundraising practice. Attendees will find strategies helpful for giving of all types. Click below to sign up!

[Register Here](#)

Resources for Your Nonprofit Through Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio

We know that the legal and governance landscape for nonprofits is changing by the day—and that it can be hard to keep up. In this complex climate, AFP Better Together Partner, Pro-Bono Partnership of Ohio (PBPO) has created a nonprofit resource page to help your organization identify areas of risk and address legal questions related to nonprofit governance, employment, contracts, and policies.

Bookmark their website, sign up for alerts, or request legal assistance to get help in navigating the evolving landscape.



PBPO Resources for Nonprofits

Unlock Your Potential: Join AFP Today!

Membership in AFP Greater Cincinnati provides fundraisers at every stage of their careers with access to premier educational resources, a strong ethical framework, valuable networking opportunities, and financial support to foster professional growth and amplify community impact. And now is the perfect time to become a member—AFP Global is offering limited-time discounts on membership fees!

To learn more about the benefits of joining, read this insightful [blog post](#) from our Executive Director, Ken, featured in *Greater Cincinnati Nonprofit News*. Then, follow the link below to take advantage of the discounted rates and invest in your future today.



Discounted Membership Rates

Wellness Month: Take Care of YOU!



August is only one week away—and for National Wellness Month, AFP Cincinnati wants to remind you to take care of YOU. Even small acts of self-care can make a huge difference in how we feel and how we show up, both for ourselves and our missions. Remember that our wellbeing fuels our impact.

We challenge you to incorporate one of these daily habits into your routine to support your minds, bodies, and missions:

- ☐ Stretch for 5 minutes in the morning before checking emails
- ☐ Eat one meal tech-free
- ☐ Block off 15 minutes in your calendar for a walk or reset
- ☐ Set an "off switch" time for work alerts

Fundamentals of Fundraising: Register Now For Early Bird Rate!

FUNDAMENTALS of FUNDRAISING

CFRE Continuing Education

Early Bird Rate:

\$435 AFP Members
\$545 Non Members

After October 16th:

\$485 AFP Members
\$595 Non Members



The Fall 2025 session of Fundamentals of Fundraising is confirmed for Monday, November 3 through Thursday, November 6 and is officially open for enrollment. The course consists of seven modules that have been designed by experienced fundraising professionals to meet the real-world needs and challenges non-profit organizations meet every day. Easterseals Redwood will host this session. Register now for early bird rates.

Register for Fundamentals of Fundraising

Upcoming Calendar of Events

September 3, 2025 | [Networking & Knowledge @ CityLink](#)

September 8, 2025 | [WEBINAR - Top 10 Legacy Fundraising Strategies](#)

September 10, 2025 | [Joint Meet & Greet w/ Greater Cincinnati Planned Giving Council](#)

September 12, 2025 | [Scholarship Deadline: CFRE, SEEDS, Presidential, YP, Chamberlain](#)

September 16, 2025 | [WEBINAR - Do Less, Raise More](#)

September 17, 2025 | [Emerging Leaders: Build a Mini-Campaign](#)

2026 Board Applications OPEN!

We're looking for people who care. People who want to build a more inclusive, equitable, and accessible chapter. People with ideas, and also people who are great listeners. People who want to strengthen our community, celebrate our peers, and ensure AFP Cincinnati continues to be a space where all fundraisers thrive.

If that sounds like you, please consider applying.

The Roles

- Board Members commit to a two-year term starting in 2026.
 - Committees with openings: Communications, Membership, Ethics, Emerging Leaders, NPD, Collegiate

Board of Directors applications are accepted on a rolling basis, but we encourage you to apply by September 30, 2025 to ensure full consideration.

Thank you for all you do to support our community, our chapter, and each other.

**Board of Directors
Application**





WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jacob Ewing, John Eytchison, Payton Field, Aaron Fromm, Tameka Gibbs,
David Harris, Nicole Huebner, Shaya Jackson, Austin Rhodes,
Yolanda Robinson, Mary Claire Simpson, Elizabeth Smith,
Aubree Story, Nicole Trimpe, Rachel Webken, Katrina Weiss



AFP Membership Anniversaries

More than 20 years!

Noel Balster- 24
Angela L. Young, CFRE- 24
Danielle Gentry-Barth, CFRE- 20

11-19 years:

Andrew Zahn, CFRE- 15
Janice Way, CFRE- 14
Lauren M. Bosse- 11
Jennie Parker- 11
Sarah Elizabeth Sullivan- 11
Cynthia A Cole- 11

5-10 years:

Doug Paul Martin- 10
Katie Stock- 9
James Cleetus- 8
Kasey Fischesser- 8
Elizabeth Vitale, CFRE- 8
Emily Draud- 8
Tara Widener- 7
Analisa Condon- 6
Anne McCarthy Venters- 6

1-4 years:

Annie Bloemer- 3
Stephanie Vorhees- 3
Mary Pat Raupach- 3
Gabriel Trieger- 3
Roycelle Parker- 3
Alexandria Daria- 3
Tephra Fields- 2
Beth Casto- 2
Jane Hollenbeck- 2

Leah Bobbey, CFRE- 5

Mary Ellen Huss- 2

Sharon A. Marine- 2

Keith Schneider- 2

Merrilee Luke-Ebbeler- 2

LeAnne Ankla- 1

Emily Schalk- 1

Heather Kuhn- 1

Melissa White- 1

Sara Huron- 1



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