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The landscape of our community continues to shift right before our eyes. Nonprofits are wrapping up monumental capital campaigns, strategizing on how to maintain the momentous surge of COVID-19 giving, and some are unfortunately struggling to keep their doors open. However, what is at stake is not an organization, but the critical mission that is acted upon.

The ultimate success of all these missions come back to the same common thread - you. As a fundraising professional you are the main artery lines between the farthest part of our community and the beating heart that is your mission. You, whether willing to admit it or not, are the catalyst for change because you bring people together to enliven mission and improve our community.

Yet, you are not alone.

Like you, I have found my most honest sounding boards, strategic partners, and strong mentorship within our selfless chapter here at AFP. For me it was that extra five-minute connection after Networking and Knowledge, it was the last second intro at a Meet and Greet, it was my cohort, it was my mentee, and so much more. It was also the leadership development training received through LEAD and ICON; it was the critical research of the Fundraising Effectiveness Project, and a global network.

It was these experiences that made it easy for me to give back to our chapter, our industry, and each other.

With that spirit of gratitude to you as our members, I want to leave you with three takeaways:

1. Thank YOU for positioning our chapter to support the advancement of our industry in support of the [AFP Foundation for Philanthropy](http://www.afp foundation.org)
2. Channel your gratitude for the changemakers in our community by nominating someone(s) for recognition for the 2022 National Philanthropy Day before May 6.
3. Be inspired by those changemakers and step forward to volunteer for some critical opportunities detailed below alongside your peers in service to our profession and community. CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Thank YOU for being a part of the change.

Best,

Matthew David Gellin
President, AFP Greater Cincinnati Chapter
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Please consider nominating an individual or group who has made Greater Cincinnati a better place by their philanthropic contributions to our community. Renominations are encouraged!

Nomination Categories:
- Philanthropist of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy (ages 24 and under)
- Outstanding Corporation or Foundation
- Lifetime Achievement in Fundraising

Click here for more information or to submit your nomination by May 6, 2022.

GET INVOLVED

We have openings on the Communication, Education, IDEA, and Young Professional committees.

Visit our website https://www.afpcincinnati.org/get-involved/ to sign-up.

Questions may be directed to our Co-VPs Membership

Elise Hyder, – ehyder@beechacres.org and
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Why Get Involved?

Meet new friends and contacts and enhance your fundraising knowledge while you make a difference for the Chapter – get involved on an AFP committee! Whether you are a novice or experienced in your career, join us to make an impact and make a great chapter even greater.

- Network with others who do what you do
- Use and enhance your fundraising experience and knowledge
- Volunteer opportunities that match your interest and schedule
- Open to new and experienced fundraisers
- Volunteers are the heart of our AFP Chapter

Save these Dates!

May 4, 9:00-10:30: Virtual Networking & Knowledge - Gift Acceptance Policies: How to guide your organization through tricky contributions with speakers: Phillip Lanham and Megan Okun

May 11, 1:00-2:00 p.m.: What Your Nonprofit Needs to Know About Cryptocurrency with speaker Tina Roh

May 12, 4:00-5:00 p.m.: New Member Orientation

May 12, 5:00-7:00 p.m. YP Joint Happy Hour with Give Back Cincinnati

May 17, 8:30-9:00 a.m. Mindfulness

May 25, 9:00-10:30: 411 on the CFRE

June 1, 9:00-10:30: Virtual Networking & Knowledge: Topic TBD

June 17: Scholarship Deadline (CFRE, FoF, Presidential, SEEDS, YP)

June 21 4:00-5:00 p.m. Relationship Do’s & Don’ts – When donor and volunteer relationships become personal with speaker Adrijana Kowatsch,
It’s that time again for your organization to help influence a New Faces of Fundraising intern.

This year the New Faces of Fundraising Program received an overwhelming amount interest from individuals who are looking forward to an exciting, challenging, and enriching opportunity with your organization.

Class 9 will be announced in early May.

Our class participants will have an opportunity to complete a 200 hours internship. This is an opportunity for them to work, learn and grow through real work experiences at one of Greater Cincinnati’s many non-profit organizations, at no cost to you.

Calling all local non-profit organizations with a mission driven focus addressing one or more of the following areas:
- Education
- Youth Enrichment
- Underrepresented Minorities,
- Food Insecurity

Applications are now open for non-profit organizations to partner with us and host a New Faces Intern. Applications are due May 18, 2022 at 11:59pm.
CLICK HERE TO APPLY

Should your organization be chosen as a host site you will be notified no later than Friday, May 29, 2022.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to us anytime at newfacesafp@gmail.com!
Nominations Now Open for 2023 AFP Global Board of Directors

Are you looking to increase your footprint within AFP? Then nominate yourself to serve on the AFP Global Board!

The Nominating Committee has identified several desired attributes that will be part of the selection process for new board members including:

- **Leadership ability and experience** which demonstrates the skills needed to govern a professional association.
- **Dedication and service** to the social sector.
- **No less than two (2) years of volunteer service to AFP, philanthropy and/or the community** locally, nationally and/or internationally.

Those who self-identify as members of diverse communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

For more information and to nominate yourself or others, visit the nomination page: [https://afpglobal.org/2023boardnominations](https://afpglobal.org/2023boardnominations).

Deadline is June 13, 2022

A special thanks to our 2021 National Philanthropy Day Sponsors:

**Presenting Sponsor:**

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Providing Hope:

**PNC**

Creating Community:
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