



AFP ~ Greater Houston Chapter 2012 Scholarship Program

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Dear AFP Houston member:

Hello from the Association of Fundraising Professionals – Greater Houston Chapter!

The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) has been serving for more than 40 years as the standard-bearer for professionalism in fundraising. You are one of nearly 30,000 members in more than 213 chapters throughout the world, working to advance philanthropy through advocacy, research, education and certification programs.

As a value-added benefit of membership, we are happy to announce that the Greater Houston chapter provides its members numerous opportunities to participate in professional development – this year we will be providing over \$20,000 in scholarships!

Please take time to review our scholarships, apply for one – or many, and share this important information with colleagues - one of our goals for the coming years is to ensure all of our chapter members are aware of and apply for these transformational opportunities.

Scholarships are available for our entire AFP-Greater Houston Chapter membership – new, mid-level, and seasoned professional are encouraged to apply. On the scholarship application we have listed to which area of focus each opportunity is geared.

It is our hope that you will use these benefits to heighten your enjoyment of our chapter and understand how much we appreciate your important support of our profession!

Sincerely,

Scott Stuckey, CFRE
2012 President, AFP-GHC

Vida L. Avery, Ph.D.
2011 Scholarship Chairperson
Board Member, AFP-GHC



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Association of Fundraising Professionals, Greater Houston Chapter, funds educational scholarships to extend participation in professional education courses, and to help individuals serving nonprofit organizations develop their knowledge and skill in fund raising.

Opportunities are available to all members – we have provided a grid for you to understand the level of experience we believe is required for each scholarship:

N = New professional, 0 – 4 years in the profession;

M = Mid-level professional, 5 – 10 years in the profession;

S = Seasoned professional, 11+ years in the profession.

We award scholarships on a rolling basis during a calendar year, with Friday, November 16, 2012 being the last day to apply for monies during 2012. You have a greater chance of receiving a scholarship the earlier in the year you apply. Once we award the allotted monies, the budget will not replenish until the next calendar year.

AFP Membership Scholarships

(N, M, S opportunity)

This will financially assist with your one-year membership to the AFP International association as well as to the local AFP-Greater Houston chapter. The Association of Fundraising Professionals exists to foster the development and growth of fundraising professionals and the profession. Being a member provides you a gateway into the Associations resources.

Deadline: Rolling

Awards: We award grants that cover the International Cost; the recipient is responsible for paying the local dues (\$70)

Requirement after Award/Membership:

- Volunteer and join a committee of their choice. This may be a standing committee or ad hoc.
- Recruit at least one new member
- Write and submit an article to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter about your experience.

***** This is the one scholarship that you do not need to be a current AFP member to apply*****

2012 International Conference Scholarship

(N, M, S opportunity)

The 2012 AFP International Conference will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada in early April. The experience offers not only the broad spectrum of training and networking opportunities, but also the nuts-and-bolts, and hands-on tactics to successfully achieve success in this field of fundraising.

Deadline: February 17, 2012

Awards: Four (4) International Scholarships awarded in the amount of **\$2,000 each**; one individual per organization.

Requirements to Apply:

- Be a member for at least 2 years and have served on a committee
- Have never received an AFP International Conference Scholarship from the Greater Houston Chapter, excludes the Chamberlain Scholarship.
- Recommendation from a Board Member

Requirement after Award:

- Write and submit an article to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter about your experience.

2012 International Conference "Next Gen" Scholarship (N, opportunity)

The Next Generation Scholarship is to engage young professionals (30 and under, at the time of the conference) who are exploring philanthropy and building their fundraising careers.

Deadline: February 17, 2012

Awards: One (1) scholarship awarded in the **amount of \$2,000.**

Requirements to Apply:

- Be a member for at least 1 year
- Have never attended an AFP International Conference
- Have never received an AFP International Conference Scholarship or Chamberlain Scholarship from the Greater Houston Chapter.
- Must provide proof of age. Candidate must be under 30 during the entire conference.

Reimbursement Requirements: Awardee will attend the "First Timer's" Orientation Session and remain through the last session.

Requirement after Award:

Write an article about your experience and submit it to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter.

2013 International Conference Chamberlain Scholarship (N, M, S opportunity)

The Chamberlain Scholarship honors the memory of Ralph E. Chamberlain, CFRE. Combined with the 2:1 AFP-Houston match, The 2013 AFP International Conference will be in San Diego, California in early April.

Deadline: October 15, 2012 (for FY 2013)

Awards: One (1) scholarship awarded in the **amount up to \$1,500.** AFP International provides a \$500 and administered through our local chapter. AFP-GHC will match the Chamberlain with a 2:1 gift making the total scholarship available to one AFP-Houston member \$1,500.

Requirements to Apply:

A candidate must have never attended an AFP International Conference!

Reimbursement Requirements: Awardee will attend the "First Timer's" Orientation Session and remain through the last session.

Requirement after Award:

Write an article about your experience and submit it to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter.

Fund Raising Courses & Training Scholarships

(N, M, S opportunity)

The Center for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership, Susanne M. Glasscock School of Continuing Studies, at Rice University offers classes in the fall and spring. AFP Greater Houston Chapter will award scholarships that are 80% of the course. The recipient is responsible for paying the remaining 20%.

For more detailed program information and to register for classes, please go to <http://cpnl.rice.edu/home.aspx> and click on the "Courses".

Deadline: According to class offerings at Rice. Please apply as early as possible.

Requirements to Apply:

- Member for at least a year
- Served or Serving on at least one committee

Requirement after Award:

- Write and submit an article to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter about your experience.

CFRE Review Course or Exam Scholarships

(M, S opportunity)

The Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) credential demonstrates an individual's mastery of the standards set for core knowledge and skills required of fundraising executives after five years of experiences.

Deadline: Rolling basis. Please apply as early as possible

Awards: Up to **five (5) scholarships** for the Review Course and up to **four (4) scholarships** for the CFRE Exam of **\$250 each** to cover some of the cost. Course opportunities are available on-line as well as group meetings.

Requirements to Apply:

- Member for at least 2 years
- Served on at least one committee
- Recommendation of a Board Member

Requirement after Award:

- Must mentor an AFP member
- Write and submit an article to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter about your experience.

ACFRE Scholarships

(S opportunity)

Certification through the ACFRE Professional Certification Program demonstrates the highest personal and professional commitment to the fundraising profession and to the principles of philanthropy.

Deadline: Rolling basis. Please apply as early as possible

Awards: Up to ***three (3) scholarships of \$600 each*** to cover the costs of professional and educational requirements needed to acquire the Advanced Certified Fundraising Executive (ACFRE).

Requirements to Apply:

- Member for at least 5 years
- Served on at least three committees
- Recommendation of a Board Member

Requirement after Award:

- Must mentor a CFRE candidate
- Write and submit an article to the Scholarship Chair for the Chapter's newsletter about your experience.



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Please indicate the scholarship for this application.

- AFP Membership Scholarship
- AFP International Conference
- AFP International Conference (Chamberlain Scholarship)
- AFP International Conference (Next Gen Scholarship)
- Fundraising Courses at Rice University
- CFRE Review Course / Exam
- ACFRE Certification

Name _____ Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Business Phone _____

Please answer the following:

Time employed as a fund raising professional _____ years

Member of AFP (yes/no) _____ Membership #: _____

How long have you been responsible for fund raising with your present employer? _____

AFP-GHC Committee Choice (e.g., Ask the Experts, National Philanthropy Day, Marketing, Membership, Diversity, Youth in Philanthropy)? _____

Why do you want to receive one of the scholarships? [Each scholarship needs its own "why statement"] (<100 words; attach additional sheet)

Date/Name of Course, Conference, or CFRE/ACFRE _____

Name of professional reference (other than present employer) _____

Professional reference's phone number _____

Application checklist:

- Completed application, resume and short narrative
- Endorsement letter by organization's executive director and/or unit supervisor (except ACFRE)
- Send above items to: Dr. Vida L. Avery, c/o AFP Greater Houston Chapter, at: admin@afphouston.org

Scholarship/Stipend Condition

- Attendance of course or conference
- Completed evaluation at conclusion of course/conference
- Volunteer for an upcoming AFP activity or committee
- Write a newsletter article regarding your experience and/or the "value of scholarship"

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____