



Association of Fundraising Professionals Northeast Ohio Chapter

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Scholarship Policy

Online Version: www.afpneo.org/Scholarships.htm

Application: www.afpneo.org/ScholarshipApp.htm

The AFP North Central Ohio Chapter fosters the professional development of fundraising professionals and promotes high ethical standards in the fundraising profession. It is the Chapter's policy to use a portion of our net assets to offer scholarships for fundraising professionals in the ten counties we serve to increase their professionalism, knowledge, and skills by attending professional development meetings and conferences.

Scholarship Procedures

1. To be considered for an award, each applicant must submit a completed application prior to the deadline.
2. The Scholarship Fund Committee will review all applications and make award decisions. Both winners and alternates may be selected.
3. Awards may be for the full amount requested or a portion thereof.
4. The Scholarship Committee Chair is responsible for:
 - notification of all awards and scholarship amounts
 - communicating to the recipient(s) when and how the funds will be distributed
 - contacting all applicants who were not selected for an award in a timely manner
5. Payment of an award is conditional on the recipient fulfilling the obligation for which the award is made. If a recipient cannot use the scholarship, it may be awarded to an alternate.

Scholarship Application Criteria (*additional criteria specific to each award italicized below*):

1. Applicants must be employed by a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization/registered charity **with at least 50% of time devoted to fundraising work.**
2. Only one individual from an organization may be selected for any one award.
3. Applicants must not have received any other Chapter scholarship in the past twelve (12) months.
4. Award recipients may be asked to demonstrate the impact of their scholarships (i.e. brief presentation at a Chapter professional development event or short written testimonial for the newsletter, annual report, etc.)

Career Success Institute (CSI) scholarships cover the recipients' registration fee to the Chapter's local CSI conference. **Deadline: March 1**

- *Applicants must be AFP NCOH chapter members.*
- *Preference will be given to applicants who currently serve on a Chapter committee.*

The Chamberlain Scholarship covers the recipient's registration fee to the AFP International Conference plus up to \$1,000 in travel expense reimbursement. The recipient is required to pay \$15. **Deadline: September 1**

- *Applicants must be AFP North Central Ohio Chapter members.*
- *Applicants must never have attended an AFP International conference. Preference will be given to new professionals to the field of fundraising - especially those with less than 3 years of experience.*

Membership Scholarships cover the recipient(s) registration fee for the period of one (1) year. The scholarship will cover the recipient's national dues and the recipient is expected to pay the local chapter's \$35 dues. All scholarships granted to current members will become effective once their current membership has expired. **Deadlines: March 1 and September 1**

- *Applicants must choose between the Professional, Young Professional, and Associate membership categories. Please see www.afpneo.org/Scholarships.htm for descriptions of each level*