Committees

A body of AFP Global members (volunteers) who support the strategic goals and business plans of AFP Global. Works directly with AFP Staff or a designated Board Member to provide expertise, recommendations, guidance, content creation, and program development. Goals and objectives are determined on a yearly basis by the chair and staff lead. Committee/Forum is not permanent and can change to meet the needs of the organization.

Chapter Support Committee

Utilizes peer-to-peer outreach to form supportive relationships with Chapter leaders educate them about the resources available and develop best practices that promote strong chapter leadership. Considers improvements for resources that support professional chapter relationships with their collegiate chapter and the forming of new collegiate chapters. Facilitates like size and regional meetings as needed. Meets for three to four one-hour conference calls per year. Time varies based on project but normally not more than 6-10 hours for the year. Should be a past chapter leader (no more than 2 years past) and members are encouraged to attend AFP LEAD. (10-15 volunteers)

AFP IDEA: Inclusion Diversity, Equity & Access (IDEA) General Committee

Develops recommendations for programs that ensure diversity in AFP’s membership and leadership; develops resources for individuals in the sector that increase diversity, equity, and inclusion; develops resources for chapters to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion; guides chapters to help them apply for the IDEA Champion designation; leads the affinity group program; develops IDEA related content. Meets for a one-hour conference call every quarter. (15-20 volunteers desired)

AFP IDEA: Women’s Impact Committee

Develop content and resources to raise awareness of the issues faced by women in fundraising. Develop women’s impact mentor program, guides creation of education opportunities around women’s issues, speak at virtual chapter meetings about gender equity, develop written content and interview pieces highlighting women in the sector, and suggests research opportunities. (15-20 volunteers desired)

AFP IDEA: Emerging Leaders Committee

Develop education, content, and resources to prepare those new to the fundraising profession, and those studying to embark on a career in fundraising, to take on leadership roles. Develop resources for Chapters to engage and recruit young professionals, lead the emerging leader mentor program, develop the content for the emerging leaders virtual workshop, develop engagement opportunities for emerging leaders- including the Emerging Leaders Affinity Group and the Emerging Leaders Virtual Book Club, and create content to showcase the importance of emerging leaders in the fundraising profession. (10 – 15 volunteers desired)
Marketing, Awards & Communications Committee
Provide advice and counsel to AFP staff on awards, internal and external marketing, outreach, and communications. The committee addresses a wide range of projects and initiatives, including National Philanthropy Day®, AFP branding and positioning, website strategy and direction, social media initiatives, recruitment and retention of members, and development of new tools, systems, and resources to enhance abilities of chapters to market at a local level. Meetings include conference calls, small focus groups, and working via email. (20-25 volunteers desired)

U.S. Government Relations Committee
Helps guide AFP advocacy efforts in the U.S. for public policies that encourage giving and volunteering and enhance the capacity of nonprofits to function efficiently. The committee monitors legislation related to fundraising and alerts AFP’s grassroots network when there is a need for action, educating fundraisers, policy makers and the public about issues related to fundraising and philanthropy. The committee often has several task forces that address emerging issues. The committee typically meets via conference call, as well as occasional face-to-face meetings at AFP ICON and/or AFP LEAD. Volunteers are encouraged to have previously served as chapter government relations chairs, awards chairs, or NPD chairs (25-30 volunteers desired)

Political Action Committee (PAC) Board
Leads the AFP PAC, making decisions on fundraising for the PAC and deciding which federal candidates receive PAC donations based on their votes and other actions and decisions related to legislation impacting philanthropy, fundraising and nonprofit operations within the charitable sector. The PAC Board meets via conference call five times a year and twice face-to-face in conjunction with AFP ICON and AFP LEAD. Membership on the PAC Board is approved by the U.S. Government Relations Committee and by the AFP Association Board Chair. (15 members desired)

ACFRE Board
Develops criteria for obtaining the ACFRE credential; promotes participation in the ACFRE program; evaluates the qualifications of those seeking the credential and confers the credential. Meets several times a year face-to-face, and monthly by conference call. Volunteers must be in good standing with ACFRE. (6-12 volunteers desired)

AFP ICON Education Advisory Committee
Provides subject matter expertise regarding educational programming for AFP ICON. Reviews and recommends session proposals; advises about speaker policies and guidelines; and recommends additional speakers. Meets once or twice a year face-to-face, including a mandatory meeting at AFP Global in June, and holds additional conference calls as needed. (15-21 volunteers desired)
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AFP LEAD Education Advisory Committee
Assists in developing AFP LEAD by identifying leadership education speakers, networking opportunities and information exchange, and serving as onsite hosts at AFP LEAD. Meets for a one-hour call every other month from February - October. (9-13 volunteers desired)

Research Council
Provides guidance regarding AFP’s research priorities and initiatives. Recognizes and promotes research; helps publish research results; and seeks and provides support for research. Meets once a year face-to-face and holds additional conference calls throughout the year. (15-20 volunteers desired)

Taskforces

AFP IDEA: Diversity Scholarship Task Force
Works with the AFP Foundations for Philanthropy to help administer and steward ICON scholarships for members from the Diverse Communities in Fundraising Program. Selects the recipients annually, promotes the scholarship and creates engagement opportunities for the recipients. Meets for a one-hour conference call every six weeks late summer through early fall. (7-9 volunteers desired)

A group of volunteers working to achieve specified goals that are domain-specific and focus on the discussion or activity around a specific subject area. Active only for a set period.
Standing Committees

A permanent committee that reports directly to the AFP Global Board and provides counsel on and recommendations related to the future of the organization. Meets more frequently than the standard committee.

Finance Committee

Reports to the AFP Board of Directors on the financial performance of the Association; recommends policies that will ensure long-range financial stability; counsels other committees on matters that have financial impact; monitors financial and investment performance; performs other duties in connection with the finances of the Association, as determined by the board of directors. Committee usually meets six times a year – two times face-to-face in conjunction with board meetings and the remainder by teleconference – generally an hour. Subcommittees and/or special task forces may be formed to address specific issues. (9-13 volunteers desired)

Sub-Committee and Work Group

A body of volunteers pulled from the larger committee who focus on a specific item/topic related to the larger work of the committee. Members of the sub-committee report to the chair of the designated committee.

Investment Subcommittee

Reports to the Finance Committee on the investment performance of the Association; adopts, reviews and monitors AFP's Investment Policy Statement; monitors the performance of the investment funds and investment managers; performs other duties in connection with the investments of the Association, as determined by the board of directors or Finance Committee. Subcommittee usually meets four times a year – either face-to-face in conjunction with AFP ICON and/or AFP LEAD or by teleconference – generally an hour. (5 members desired)

AFP IDEA: Reflections & ICON Workshop Workgroup

Develops content for the IDEA Workshop and preconference workshop at ICON. Works with youth and member artists to display art in the exposition hall at ICON. Task Force meets for a one-hour conference call every month, and there is on-site commitment at the ICON. (7 volunteers desired)

Affinity Group

A community of volunteers based on shared demographics, identities, or other common experiences. Meet periodically to offer professional support and advice for community members.

- Arts and Culture
- Working Moms
- Black/African American
- Asian Pacific Islander
- Faith Based
- Health
- LGBTQ+

Micro-Volunteering

Singular volunteer opportunities that contribute to and support the AFP Global mission and strategic plan. Usually involve a shorter time commitment for the volunteer.

Please see our website at afpglobal.org to learn more about micro-volunteering opportunities.