

AFP U.S. Foundation for Philanthropy

Advancing philanthropic investment and impact in the nonprofit sector.



The AFP Foundation for Philanthropy champions philanthropy and volunteerism by developing the nonprofit sector's current and future leaders, welcoming diverse new voices into the charitable world and rigorously upholding the highest standards of ethics.

Leadership Development

Chamberlain Scholarship Program

In 2023, **102** Chamberlain Scholars attended AFP ICON. Since the program began in the year 2000, we have awarded **2,740** Chamberlain Scholarships.

Diversity Communities Scholarship Program

In 2023, **30** Diverse Communities Scholarships were awarded to attend AFP ICON. That makes **231** since the program began in 2012.

Collegiate Scholarship Program

In 2023, **5** collegiate scholars attended AFP ICON or LEAD through the generosity of the Marjorie K. and Stephen M. Levy Philanthropic Professional Education Fund. A total of **126** scholars have been awarded through this fund since 2017.

Women's Impact Initiative

Through the AFP/Alford Group Women's Mentoring and Leadership Development Program **19** scholarships were provided to ICON 2023.

Blackbaud Diversity Fund

The Foundation for Philanthropy's ongoing partnership with Blackbaud, and our shared commitment to IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access) has led to the creation of the Blackbaud Diversity Fund. The fund offers diversity-based scholarships for both ICON and LEAD. In 2023, **41** scholarships were awarded to ICON and 50 have been awarded to LEAD.

Since its inception, the fund has provided more than **220** scholarships to fundraising professionals from diverse backgrounds.

AFP LEAD

AFP LEAD held in Philadelphia, PA on October 19-21, 2023 is brought to you by the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy and provides relevant training on leadership development for fundraising professionals that helps them move into senior positions in the nonprofit sector.

"I truly felt inspired – not only to continue improving my day-to-day responsibilities but also to become so proficient in my area of expertise that I may one day return to AFP ICON as a presenter myself. Thank you so much for making this opportunity a reality. I would never have imagined attending AFP ICON – but now, thanks to the Chamberlain Scholarship, I can tell everyone I'm an "AFP ICON Alum!"

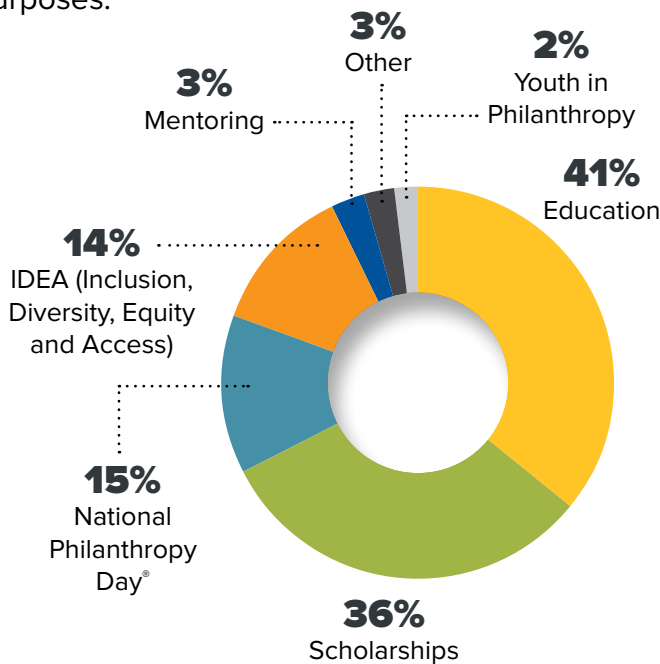
Morgan P. Hutchison, Coordinator of Donor Engagement, Florida School for the Deaf and Blind

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Chapter Partnership Grants & BE the CAUSE

In partnership with AFP Chapters, the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy conducts BE the CAUSE our annual fundraising campaign. A portion of the funds raised are granted back to chapters for programs and services in their local communities.

In 2023, the Foundation has granted **\$78,484** back to **109** chapters. The funds were used for the following purposes:



Research and Endowments

- Skystone Partners Research Prize: “Fundraising Principles for Faculty and Academic Leaders” written by Dr. Aaron Conley and Dr. Genevieve Shaker.
- Donald A. Campbell, Jr. Scholarship Fund provided 5 scholarships to attend AFP ICON.
- Funds from the Marjorie K. and Stephen M. Levy Philanthropic Professional Education Fund provided collegiate scholarships and AFP LEAD programming.
- Claudia A. Looney Fund for Ethics in Fundraising provided two complimentary webinars during Ethics Awareness Month.

“I just wanted to say thank you so much and extend my immense gratitude for your Diversity Scholarship to AFP ICON this year. I was able to attend on scholarship and had such an incredible experience that really reignited my passion for fundraising. I still consider myself a new fundraiser as I head into my 4th year of development. AFP ICON gave me the space to think creatively and more expansively about my organizations development practices and my own personal trajectory in fundraising. Thank you for your commitment to accessibility and ensuring ALL fundraisers have the opportunity to attend such an impactful conference.”

Chelsea Dean-Martinez, Development Director, Girls Empowerment Network



Thank you for making a difference with your generous donations!

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