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In 2019, 23 Diversity Scholars attended the AFP International Conference on Fundraising. Since the program began in 2012 a total of 130 scholarships have been granted.

“I am very grateful for the Diverse Communities Scholarship which afforded me the opportunity to attend the conference. It was a very enlightening and worthwhile experience that enabled me to meet so many development professionals and vendors whom I would not have had the chance to meet. The sessions were very interesting and taught me many ways I can endeavor to work smarter, not harder, which is hugely important to me working in a 1 person development shop in a small, community day school with a limited professional development budget.”

—Patti Seeman, MBA, AFP VA, Hampton Roads Chapter, Director of Development, Hebrew Academy of Tidewater

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Chapter Partnership Grants

In partnership with AFP Chapters, the AFP Foundation conducts the BE the CAUSE annual fundraising campaign. A portion of the funds raised are granted back to chapters for programs and services in local communities. In 2019, the Foundation has granted $96,457 back to 126 AFP Chapters. These funds were used for the following purposes.

Collegiate Scholarship Program

Through the generosity of the Marjorie K. and Stephen M. Levy Philanthropic Professional Education Fund and the AFP Foundation 83 collegiate members have received scholarships to attend the AFP International Conference on Fundraising. In 2019, 11 scholarships were granted.

Other Programs in 2019

Skystone Partners Research Prize: “Generation Impact: How Next Gen Donors Are Revolutionizing Giving” by Michael Moody, Ph.D. and Sharna Goldseker

“Growth in Giving” measurement tools as part of the Fundraising Effectiveness Project

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Leadership Development

Funded through the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy, a 2019 Leadership Development Summit of thirty thought-leaders met to develop an intentional leadership development program for the fundraising profession to address the documented leadership gap that will occur over the next decade.

AFP LEAD

AFP LEAD (formerly AFP Leadership Academy) is sponsored by the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy and provides relevant training on leadership development for fundraising professionals that helps them in leading an AFP chapter and developing professional skills in the nonprofit sector.

The AFP Foundation has provided 64 scholarships to attend AFP LEAD since 2014, with 21 scholarships this year.

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