

2025 Professional Awards

**Outstanding Fundraising Professional**

AFP Calgary & Area Chapter

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### NOMINATION INFORMATION

**Purpose:** To annually recognize a fundraising professional who has made a significant contribution to the growth and development of ethical fundraising in the region. The Honouree will be an outstanding contributor to the profession and advancement of the work of philanthropy by supporting the AFP Mission.

**AFP Mission:** *AFP, an association of professionals throughout the world, advances philanthropy by enabling people and organizations to practice ethical and effective fundraising. The core activities through which AFP fulfils this mission include education, training, mentoring, research, credentialing, and advocacy.*

**Requirements: Nominee for 2025 Outstanding Fundraising Professional**

This achievement honours an outstanding individual fundraising professional who served in a fund development capacity for a minimum of 15 years. They may be a practitioner or a consultant. They may be working full or part-time or retired.

Nominations for each professional award may be placed by an individual AFP member, an AFP Chapter or a community member who is not a member of AFP. You will require a Seconder to sign the Nomination Form (Page 3) and that individual may also provide a letter of support for the Nominee. Completeness of information is essential for consideration.

A complete nomination includes:

* Answers to the five (5) questions below, in a Word document, with no more than a total of 3,000 words. Nominators are free to divide the word count for each question however they like.
* Two (2) letters of support for the Nominee, one of which may be the seconder/endorser of the Nomination.
* The completed Nomination Form (Page3)
* Completed Nominee Disclaimer (Page 4)
* A quote from the Nominee referencing the importance of philanthropy in the Nominee’s life and/or community.

Nominations will be considered based on the responses to the following five questions/criteria:

1) Description of career achievements, length and tenure of fundraising background, experience, and results. The nominee must have at least 15 years of professional fundraising experience. **(0-25 points)**

2) Evidence of quality of leadership and mentorship that is effective, creative, and stimulating, and that the individual acts as a team player**. (0-20 points)**

3) Membership in AFP (Calgary & Area Chapter) and evidence that the individual practices and promotes the *AFP Code of Ethical Principles and Standards of Professional Practice* for fundraising professionals. This may include financial support of the AFP *Every Member Campaign*. **(0-20 points)**

4) Description of individual’s commitment to continuing professional development, including certification (CFRE/ACFRE), conference participation, publication(s), and professional education.

**(0-15 points)**

5) Evidence of commitment and contribution to fundraising, philanthropy and the profession through voluntary service and financial support of nonprofit organizations. **(0-20 points)**

Selection Process

The Honouree will be selected by a committee comprised of members of the profession and the broader community. Each question is graded by each committee member, according to the scoring points noted at the end of the question; from zero (has not demonstrated proficiency in the category) to full points (demonstrated exceptional credentials in the category). The Nomination is scored out of 100 points in total.

Because of the number of applications submitted, it is not possible to provide nominators with written evaluations of their entries. If, in the judgment of the judging committee/panel, no applications meet the criteria, no Honouree will be selected.

**Presentation & Celebration**

The Honouree selected will be celebrated as part of National Philanthropy Day celebrations in Calgary. The Honouree must attend the **National Philanthropy Day Luncheon** scheduled for ***November 12, 2025, and*** must be willing to have biography, photos and videos prepared in advance of the NPD activities.The names of the other nominees will not be released or published.

**A Note on Nominating Deceased Individuals**

Deceased individuals may be nominated; however, they must have been alive in the past year they are nominated to be eligible for consideration. Nominee disclaimer would need to be signed by the next of kin, and they would need to agree to represent the Nominee if they are named as Honouree.

#### DEADLINE: Monday June 30, 2025 at midnight

Please submit your nomination and all attachments by email to: [info@afpcalgary.com](mailto:info@afpcalgary.com).

A confirmation of receipt email will be sent to you,

If you do not receive email confirmation of receipt of your nomination, or if you need further information or clarification on the nomination, please contact Lorie Abernethy at the AFP Calgary and Area office at (403) 297-1033.or email [info@afpcalgary.com](mailto:info@afpcalgary.com)



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### NOMINATION FORM

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Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Nomination Submitted by:**

Nominator Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please check all the boxes that apply:

* In making this nomination, I have confirmed that the nominee is willing to allow their name to stand for this honour and the nominee has signed the nominee disclaimer.
* I have informed the nominee that the media may contact them for an interview.
* I have informed the nominee that they will be asked to participate in a video.
* I have informed the nominee that if they are the recipient, they will be asked to present at a Chapter event in 2025/26– date to be set at a mutually convenient date.
* I have limited my nomination narrative to three thousand (3,000) words (12-point font with 1” margins). I have enumerated each criterion and addressed each one separately in narrative form. Entries will be judged on each of the criteria. Narrative should contain complete, clear and concise answers to the questions.
* I have included a quote from my nominee referencing the importance of philanthropy in the nominee’s life or community.
* I have included (in pdf format and emailed to the AFP Calgary and Area office) the full nomination package including the nomination form, narrative, quote from nominee (as outlined above) and **two** letters of support.
* I am aware and have informed the nominee that the Honouree selected may be submitted for consideration for the corresponding AFP International Award.
* I have confirmed with the nominee that he/she/they will be available for the National Philanthropy Day Luncheon at the Calgary Hyatt Regency scheduled for **November 12, 2025; and the Award video taping on Tuesday September 16, 2025**
* I am aware the deadline for all documents is ***June 30, 2025* at midnight**.

**NOMINEE QUOTE – The importance of philanthropy in my life:**

*(You may include the quote here, or along with your answers to the five (5) criteria/questions)*

**NOMINEE DISCLAIMER:**

I **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  have read the above requirements and agree to let my name

(Nominee)

stand for nomination for the Outstanding Fundraising Professional Award.

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Nominee Signature Date (Month/Day/Year)

Current Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current Employer/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Nominator’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of /

Endorsed (seconded) by:

Please print name of Endorser/Seconder:

(AFP or Community Member)

Date Submitted to AFP Calgary & Area office: