



AFP St. Louis Regional Chapter

45th Annual National Philanthropy Day - Call for Nominations

Nomination Deadline: June 19, 2025

Awards Program

The St. Louis Regional Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) is proud to recognize the outstanding achievements by individuals, families, organizations, foundations, corporations, and other groups. Each year, awards are given in recognition of achievements that have had a major impact on a community, national and/or international level. These awards are given at our yearly National Philanthropy Day celebration, held each November.

Guidelines for Nominations

- Any nomination submitted in 2024 is still considered an “active” nomination and available for consideration.
- By submitting a nomination, you agree to be a liaison between AFP and the awardee. *If your nominee is selected to receive an award, you will serve as the primary point of contact with the honoree regarding being told of the selection, event details, information requests, etc. You will also serve as the host of the honoree at the NPD event.*
- Nomination submissions must be received by the deadline: **midnight, June 19, 2025**. Late entries will not be accepted. Awardees will be announced at least 3 months before the event.
- Review the award criteria and list of past winners carefully as all entries will be judged on complete, clear, and concise answers. More information can be found here:
https://afpstl.org/NPD_Nomination_2025
 - Nominations will not be accepted for honorees previously awarded within the past twenty (20) years.
 - Deceased individuals may be considered when appropriate.
 - All nominations will be evaluated for alignment with AFP’s vision, mission, guiding principles, and IDEA principles, as applicable.

Nominations Process

- Your completed nomination should be submitted online at https://afpstl.org/NPD_Nomination_Form_2025 Questions about the nomination process may be sent to Bryan Stone, President-Elect, at PresidentElect@afpstl.org
Your nomination should consist of the following items:
 - Nomination form with your contact info and information about the nominee.
 - Narrative of no more than 3,500 characters that describes how the nominee meets the award criteria and any other information about why this nominee should be considered.



Category Specific Criteria – further award-specific criteria found online at:

https://afpstl.org/NPD_Nomination_2025

Changemakers

This award will honor individuals, families, corporations, foundations, nonprofit organizations, or other groups that are leaning into change and embracing innovative approaches to philanthropy, while demonstrating a commitment to dismantling systemic racism and achieving equity, justice, and belonging for all.

Outstanding Philanthropist

This award is presented to an individual, family, corporation, foundation, or other organization with a proven record of exceptional generosity. Through direct financial support, the nominee has demonstrated outstanding civic and charitable responsibility, and whose generosity encourages others to take philanthropic leadership roles on a community, national, and/or international level.

Outstanding Fundraising Volunteer

Individuals, families, corporations, foundations, or other organizations are eligible for this award. Nominees must have demonstrated a commitment to the advancement of philanthropy and exceptional leadership skills. Nominees have either personally or through group action undertaken fundraising projects for the benefit of one or more nonprofit organizations in a volunteer capacity.

Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy

This award recognizes an exemplary youth or group of youth, age 21 or younger, who has demonstrated a commitment to the community and exceptional leadership in the coordination and motivation of volunteers for a major fundraising or volunteer project in one or more charitable organizations. Nominees must have worked in a voluntary capacity.

Outstanding Fundraising Executive

This award is designated for a professional fundraiser who practices their profession in an exemplary manner, and has demonstrated quality leadership, volunteerism with AFP St. Louis, adherence to the AFP Code of Ethical Principles and Standards, continuing professional development, and voluntary service and/or financial support of other nonprofit organizations.

Outstanding Emerging Professional

A successful candidate for this award will have fewer than 5 years professional experience as a nonprofit fundraiser, and although newer to the profession, demonstrates a commitment to professionalism and leadership in the nonprofit community.

Spirit of Philanthropy

This award is reserved for individuals, families, corporations, foundations, nonprofit organizations, or other groups that exemplify the spirit of philanthropy at the highest level

Note: Nominations are not accepted in this category. The NPD Awards Committee may select recipients of this award at its discretion, either from nominees across all award categories or others who have not been nominated but otherwise meet the described criteria. This award may not be given every year.