

**Virginia Association of Fundraising Executives  
Request for Scholarship**

VAFRE is pleased to offer scholarships to VAFRE members and non-members to attend VAFRE sponsored educational programs, for regular membership, or for CFRE review courses, based on need. Applicants must be staff members or elected board members of non-profit [501(c) 3] organizations located in central Virginia. Preference is given to applicants who are VAFRE members and newer to fundraising or at smaller organizations or those with limited professional development budgets. Financial assistance will cover a portion or the full cost of tuition or fees; participants or their organizations must pay for travel, meals and other expenses not included in program tuition. All scholarships will be payable directly to the program or organization sponsoring the program.

Scholarship Requested (program name and specific amount requested): \_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_ Educational  
 Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration Deadline: \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Amount Requested: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is Organization an IRS approved 501(c) 3 organization? Y or N  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization's Annual Operating Budget: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Budget Available for Professional Development: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Years in professional fundraising: \_\_\_ Years at current organization: \_\_\_ Current VAFRE member? Y or N

Brief Explanation for Request: Please attach a brief paragraph stating why the program is important for your professional development, and why you or your organization is unable to pay for the program.

I submit this application and agree if I am selected as a recipient, I hereby give my permission to VAFRE to use my name, picture, narrative and the fact I was awarded a scholarship for promotional purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Applicant Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Name and Signature of Supervisor Title of Supervisor

**For VAFRE Use**  
 Awarded  
 Not Awarded  
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to:**  
 VAFRE,  
 attention Mary Kidd,  
 T: (804) 288-2950,  
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[vafre@catapult-inc.com](mailto:vafre@catapult-inc.com)

**Deadline for application submission is 30 days prior to the registration deadline for the program or event.**

**Virginia Association of Fundraising Executives**  
Membership Services  
Scholarship Committee

**VAFRE Mission:** To provide a network that supports and advances the philanthropic community across the Commonwealth of Virginia through education, mentoring, and leadership development.

**Scholarship Committee Mission:** To advance philanthropy by providing financial assistance to fundraising professionals seeking to improve their professional skills

**General Scholarship Criteria and Guidelines:** VAFRE members and non-members are eligible to apply for scholarships. Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for **any** VAFRE scholarships:

1. Active VAFRE member and/or currently employed by a 501(c)3 organization
2. Minimum of 25% of work responsibilities focused on development
3. Preference will be given to applicants whose organization's budgets do not exceed \$1 million.
4. Applicants may receive a maximum of one VAFRE scholarship within a calendar year.

**Membership Scholarship – Value \$100per scholarship**

1. Preference will be given to individuals working in organizations with demonstrated financial need
2. Preference will be given to individuals that are new to the fundraising profession (less than 3 years experience)
3. Applicants who have not received previous VAFRE scholarships will receive stronger consideration

**Educational Program Scholarships – Maximum Scholarship amount: varies**

VAFRE members and non-VAFRE member applicants may apply for VAFRE sponsored program scholarships. However, preference will be given to VAFRE members. Scholarships will be considered for the following program offerings:

- VAFRE monthly meeting, mini-masters or seminars
- Virginia Fund Raising Institute
- VCU Especially for Nonprofit Classes
- UR Institute on Philanthropy Classes
- AFP International Conference
- AFP Audio Conferences
- CFRE courses
- National Philanthropy Day Workshop