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### **AFP Greater Philadelphia Chapter Announces Full Agenda for Leading Philanthropy 2025**

*Conference to Feature Leadership Intensive, CFRE Credits, Keynote Panel, and Strategic  
Solutions for Nonprofit Professionals*

**PHILADELPHIA, PA – August 7, 2025** — The Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP-GPC) has released the full agenda and speaker lineup for **Leading Philanthropy 2025**, the region's premier professional development conference for nonprofit fundraisers. The event will take place on **Wednesday, September 17, 2025**, from **8:00 AM to 5:00 PM** at **The Drexelbrook** in Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania.

This year's theme, ***"Thought Leadership for Tomorrow's Challenges,"*** addresses the real-time pressures nonprofits face—resource scarcity, economic uncertainty, and sector-wide burnout. In this challenging environment, Leading Philanthropy 2025 brings together fundraisers and philanthropic leaders for a day of shared learning, strategic thinking, and problem-solving. Attendees will leave with actionable insights, new connections, and the clarity to lead with confidence.

Presented by AFP-GPC in partnership with the Southern New Jersey, Eastern Delaware Brandywine, and Berks County AFP chapters, and The Foundation for Delaware County, this regional collaboration is committed to innovation, excellence, and equity in fundraising.

### **Conference Highlights**

**Leadership Intensive** (*New for 2025*): A specialized session for CEOs, Executive Directors, and senior development professionals, as well as emerging leaders seeking professional growth opportunities in preparation for advancement within their organizations. Strategic planning, adaptive decision-making, and peer-to-peer leadership will be the focus. ***Pre-registration is required. Fee: \$69.***

**Keynote Panel – “Solving Our Challenges Through Philanthropy”:** A cross-sector conversation on philanthropy’s role in addressing urgent social challenges. Featured speakers include **Reggie Shuford (Independence Foundation)**, **Monica Taylor Lotty (Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia)**, and **Maria Spina (PSEG Foundation)**, moderated by **Anne Gingerich (PANO)**.

## **Breakout Sessions & Learning Tracks**

Attendees will have the opportunity to choose from a dozen breakout sessions across five content tracks: Inclusive Fundraising & IDEA, Major Gifts & Data Strategy, Donor Engagement, Strategic Communications, and Leadership & Ethics. Topics include the use of AI in team strategy, led by Sarah Pita Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York; equity-centered grantmaking; campaign execution; and team stewardship. Speakers represent national thought leaders and regional innovators and represent a diverse group of fundraisers, and philanthropic and technology partners.

## **Registration**

Registration is open. [Visit us online for full details.](#)

## **About AFP-GPC**

*The Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP-GPC) represents over 500 development professionals across the region. AFP-GPC provides education, mentoring, advocacy, and community building with a deep commitment to Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access (IDEA) in fundraising leadership.*

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