NIGP Voluntary Contribution Opportunity Visual

The Opportunity: NIGP Scholarship Committee

What is the opportunity?
The NIGP Scholarship committee helps to create a quarterly scholarship program that provides financial assistance to NIGP members who wish to enhance their professional careers through various learning opportunities. The committee determines scholarship award recipients.

What will I do as a member?
- Determine the criteria for the various NIGP scholarship programs.
- Assist with advising on the questions and content for scholarship applications.
- Review and score scholarship applications.
- Determine the recipients of NIGP scholarship awards.

What qualifications do I need to serve on the Scholarship Committee?
- Hold an active NIGP membership as either a public procurement practitioner or associate member
- Experience with scholarship programs, developing criteria, reviewing, and scoring scholarship applications

What commitments am I making if I'm selected to serve on this Committee?
Active participation in:
- Committee calls as scheduled during business hours (approx. 1-2 calls per quarter)
- Reviewing and scoring scholarship applications each quarter
- Committee NSite discussions
- Preparation for meetings by reviewing the agenda and meeting materials
- Three-year term, renewable once

What impact will my contribution make on NIGP?
- Allows for NIGP members to participate in competency-based learning and professional development activities when funding is not available to them on their own or through their agency.
- NIGP members can prioritize learning and career development even when funding is not available.

What do Scholarship Committee members say about the experience?

"As members of the scholarship committee, we work hard to ensure that funding shortages do not hinder our members, agencies and chapters from meeting their educational goals. It feels awesome to see members with funding obstacles use scholarship funding to gain new skills or pursue new learning. Where there is a wall, the Scholarship Committee creates a door."

Zulay Millan, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB
Assistant Manager - Procurement
Orange County, FL

"Serving on the Scholarship Committee has been a rewarding experience. We have the opportunity to learn about member and chapter goals and take action to help our colleagues achieve these goals."

Katrina Ponzini, M.Ed., CPPB
Supervisor of Small Business and Veteran Programs
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"It is not what we get, but who we become, what we contribute... that gives meaning to our lives."
~ Tony Robbins