Why did you join AFP?
The reason I joined was to continue the professionalization trend in our sector, not only studying nonprofit administration but also specializing in fundraising.

What do you do related to fundraising?
Most of my experience lies in the management of data and research. Even more, I enjoy the personal aspect of fundraising - prospecting for new donors and event sponsors through tabling at expos and networking at mixers and events.

Share your favorite story from your fundraising experiences.
One of my favorite stories was when I truly learned the importance of not being afraid to make the ask. At a previous employer, with only a cold call and an email to the VP of programs of a community foundation, I secured a $5,000 grant off cycle to restore funding that had been cut.

Share a piece of advice for success in Big Day of Giving:
Definitely be sure to follow up with any and all new donors to your organization.

What if your favorite part of AFP?
My favorite part of AFP is the opportunity of self-improvement. It gives me the opportunity to feel like I belong to a group of people who are all working together to enhance and advance the educational and professional level of those working in the philanthropic world.

How has AFP helped you?
Our chapter members have a great breadth of experiences and as such are able to act as a great source of information.

What would you tell someone who is thinking about joining AFP?
If you are in the field of fundraising, considering fundraising as your new profession or even if you are sitting on a board of a nonprofit and want to learn more about some of the basics and even intricacies of fundraising, then you should consider making an investment in your fundraising career and join AFP.

Contact me about:
Employment opportunities in human services, higher education, or the arts as well as networking!