

About The Foundation of NACE

Incorporated in 1985, the Foundation of NACE is a 501(c)3 charitable organization whose mission is to support the catering and events industry through education and investments that support NACE chapters and members. The Foundation pursues this mission through innovative, transformative programs that elevate our collective community.



What We Do



Signature Speaker Series

The Foundation's **Signature Speaker Series** provides chapters with a grant to fund any educational programming. To date, the Foundation has provided chapters with more than \$14,000 in speaker series grants. We encourage you to explore the site for more details and to read through testimonials.



Scholarships

The Foundation of NACE advances the catering and events industry through **scholarships** that help both future and current professionals. Since 2008, The Foundation of NACE has awarded more than \$250,000.00 those pursuing or advancing careers in catering and events. These scholarships provide aid that supports tuition, travel, leadership training and professional development to those who want a career in the catering and events industry.

How to Support the Foundation



Donate

The Foundation of NACE relies on the support of the NACE community to pursue its mission. Your donation helps elevate the catering and events profession. Individual members, chapters and corporate donors can all do their part to support the Foundation with a tax-deductible donation. No amount is ever too small!

We introduced **The Giving Tree** in 2022 which was a way for individuals to give \$100 and receive the Giving Tree lapel pin. We'd love everyone to wear their pin proudly to all conferences, local meetings, and other industry events.

Chapter support is vital to the Foundation, especially through the annual Parade of Giving at NACE's Experience Conference. Chapters can make an annual pledge at any time, to be fulfilled before the end of each year.

Scan to make your donation!



Volunteer

For those who would like to get involved by donating time, there are several volunteer opportunities offered by the Foundation of NACE including fundraising support, event production, mentoring, scholarship evaluation and more. Contact the Foundation of NACE President Dana Blaugrund, CPCE, CWC at foundation@nace.net for more information. We're looking to grow our committees and you could be the perfect fit!

Spread the Word

Chapter leaders can support the Foundation by making sure chapter members are aware of the Foundation and its importance to the NACE community. One quick and easy way to do this is to follow the Foundation's social media accounts and share its content on your chapters' social feeds.

Your Chapter Leader Action Items

Build Your Chapter

Use the Signature Speaker Series program
Encourage all chapter members
(professional and student) to apply for a
Foundation Scholarship
Contact a Foundation Trustee to learn more

Support the Foundation

Follow on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn
and share content
Link to the Foundation from your web site
Include Foundation messages in your chapter
newsletters
Make an annual chapter giving pledge
Participate in the Parade of Giving at Experience
Hold a Foundation fundraising event