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Dear Friends of GPF,

I'm writing to you on behalf of the Grant Professionals Foundation (GPF) to request your support by donating a product, service, or gift card for our annual Silent Auction which will be held virtually in late October/early November.

If you are not familiar with GPF, we are a 501(c)(3) organization which serves as the fundraising arm of the Grant Professionals Association (GPA). This international organization helps grant professionals grow their knowledge and skills in the grants field. You may know someone who writes grant proposals for a local nonprofit, hospital, or university or you may personally support local nonprofit organizations in your community that are supported by grants. Grant professionals are vital to these organizations and help ensure every community has access to local, state, and federal grant funds to provide critical services. Communities across the country continue to depend on nonprofits and grant writers who help keep them afloat.

To ensure we continue to support highly skilled, trained, and ethical grant professionals across the country, GPF uses all proceeds from the silent auction to provide grant professionals with scholarships. In 2021, GPF provided 35 scholarships to assist with GPA membership, conference registrations, and GPCI credentialing exam fees (a 35% increase from 2020).

This year, GPA's conference will occur from November 2-5, 2022, and will be a hybrid online and in-person format, drawing at least 1,200 attendees from across the country. The Silent Auction will be promoted heavily to both conference attendees and the community before and during the conference through GPA's website, the conference app, and multiple social media channels. Because our event is national, we are working to collect auction items that would appeal to auction bidders regardless of their geography that are valued in the range of \$50-\$60 (and above).

To donate an item, please visit [grantprofessionalsfoundation.org/auction/](https://grantprofessionalsfoundation.org/auction/) and click "Donate to Auction" to access the online donation form to make your pledge or simply contact me directly. Cash donations to purchase an item are also welcomed. Thank you for your consideration of this request! Please feel free to contact us if you have questions.

Warmly,

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