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AFP OF EASTERN OKLAHOMA RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL HONOR
Local Chapter Awarded Ten Star Designation by AFP International

(FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE) February 16, 2012, Tulsa, OK – The Eastern Oklahoma chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals has been named a 2011 10-Star Chapter by AFP International for its leadership in ethical and organizational standards and professional programming.

Each year, AFP, the largest association of professional fundraisers in the world, honors chapters for achieving goals that align with key objectives in its long-range strategic plan.

Chapters receive the Ten Star Award for performing specific activities designed to increase professionalism within fundraising and public awareness of the importance of philanthropy. **Of the 213 chapters in AFP, less than half of its chapters received the Ten Star Award for 2011.**

“This Ten Star designation confirms the commitment of our chapter to the promotion of ethical and effective fundraising,” said Pam Dose, chapter president and executive director for Tulsa CASA.

“Our membership serves as an example to other chapters for its dedication to continuing education, professionalism and community advocacy. Congratulations to 2011 Chapter President Janet Gaskins and her exceptional leadership team for achieving this recognition.”

The Eastern Oklahoma chapter will be recognized for its designation at the AFP International Conference on Fundraising, held April 2012 in Vancouver. For more information on the 10-Star Award process, please visit www.afpnet.org.

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About AFP Eastern Oklahoma

Founded in 1982, the Eastern Oklahoma chapter of AFP is committed to development professionals and the fundraising industry in the region. The chapter has nearly 200 members, ranging in experience from the novice fundraiser to the seasoned practitioner. Monthly chapter meetings featuring speakers and varying topics are held on the first Thursday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Tulsa Garden Center. In addition, the chapter offers other educational and networking opportunities including a professional development conference, National Philanthropy Day luncheon and web conferences. Visit <http://afpeastok.afpnet.org> for more information.

About AFP International

AFP represents 30,000 members in chapters worldwide, working to advance philanthropy through advocacy, research, education and certification programs. The association fosters development and growth of fundraising professionals and promotes high ethical standards in the fundraising profession. For more information, visit www.afpnet.org.

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