

## The 2024 President Charity

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As part of the Annual Session, it has become tradition that the President designates a charity to raise money for leading up to and at Annual Session. This year I have decided to follow the lead of our recent Past Presidents by using this opportunity to highlight ways we can invest back into ourselves and NEAFCS. This year, there are three different opportunities for you to choose to participate in; I encourage you to participate in the way or ways that seem most relevant to you.



**The NEAFCS Star Donor Club**, the Star Donor Club was started by the Awards and Recognition Sponsorship and Support Committee as a way for members to show their support for the Awards program and provide additional funds to enhance the work of the Awards Committee. You can join the Star Donor Club by making a \$50 donation to the Star Donor Club, the Club is limited to 100 members each year. To join the Star Donor Club, follow the link on the NEAFCS Homepage.

**The NEAFCS Endowment**, The Endowment Committee has set a goal of raising an additional \$90,000 for the Association's 90th Anniversary. All funds donated to the Endowment are held in perpetuity and invested in the Endowment Account. Each year, the Finance Committee designates a portion of the investment gains to return to the Endowment Committee to be used for membership grants to support innovative programming and now endowment scholarships to attend Annual Session. This is a great way to support the Association's future for years to come. To reach their \$90,000 - 90th Anniversary Goal, the Endowment Committee is asking members to consider donating \$90.00 to the endowment in 2024. More information can be found by following the link on the NEAFCS Homepage.

**Invest in yourself!** Attending a relevant NEAFCS webinar or apply for the NEAFCS Leadership Experience. Create a plan to apply for the NEAFCS Endowment Grant or a National Award. Join a State or National Committee. There are many ways we can invest in ourselves through NEAFCS. I would like to thank everyone who chooses to participate in the President's Charity in advance

*-Rick*



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