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Overland Park, KS: The Grant Professionals Association (GPA) announces the sixth annual International Grant Professionals Day to be held on March 13, 2020. International Grant Professionals Day increases awareness internationally of the work grant professionals perform as well as celebrates the work of grant professionals, who serve as administrators, consultants, managers, grant-makers and writers.

Every day, grant professionals work diligently, usually behind the scenes, to seek grant opportunities, administer projects and implement important programs for the benefit of society's disadvantaged and underserved people. These talented professionals are dedicated to providing the highest standard of ethics, quality program development, thoughtful project implementation and wise financial stewardship. Often, those standards extend beyond the mere financial and include capacity support, long term solutions to challenges, fundraising assistance, expert project management, sustainable programming and so much more.

"I will never forget the excitement heard in Danny Blitch's voice when he called me to announce International Grant Professionals Day was going to be a reality in 2014. Danny and I were both grant administrators for neighboring municipalities at that time, and he had longed pushed for a visible way to recognize our profession. I'm beyond pleased that the Grant Professionals Association jumped at the chance to spearhead this day of celebration, recognition, and congratulations for grant professionals worldwide. Whether your work as a grant professional impacts people, animals, the environment, public policy, or something else altogether, I thank you for your service in bringing about change for the good of our earth and those who call it home. Today is your day, so live it up with me and your fellow grant pros! And if you work with a grant professional, be sure to thank them today (and every other day)" states Amanda Day, GPC – Board President of GPA.

Events planned for March 13, 2020 encourage grant professionals and their organizations to celebrate themselves, the profession and highlight important issues faced by grant professionals.

GPA is a professional organization that builds and supports a community of grant professionals committed to serving the greater public good. We have partnered in this effort with GPCI, the grant profession's organization that is dedicated to promoting competency and ethical practices within the field of grantsmanship, and the Grant Professionals Foundation (GPF), the fundraising partner ensuring that resources are available to train, credential and advocate for all grant professionals.



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For more information, visit the International Grant Professionals Week web page at:
www.grantprofessionals.org/igpd.

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