# FINANCIAL PLANNING FOUNDERS' CLUB

## Invitation

We would like to invite you to become a Program Founder and member of the Financial Planning Founders' Club. Our goal is to build a network of Financial Planners who are engaged in the program – who provide advice and counsel, hire our students, and participate in their education.

#### **About**

We respectfully request your consideration of a five-year pledge to become a member of the Financial Planning Founders' Club. These funds will be committed to the Founders' Fund for program development, enhancement, and support of student activities. Recognition for different levels of contribution to the Founders' Fund will be available as follows: **Platinum** for a total contribution of \$100,000 or more, **Gold** for a total contribution of \$60,000 or more, **Silver** for a total contribution of \$40,000 or more, and **Bronze** for a total contribution of \$20,000 or more. The contributions are payable in up to five annual installments.

### How your gift benefits the program

Specifically, the fund, which will be administered by the Department of Agricultural Economics, will be used for the following:

- Support the teaching and research programs of the Program Director.
- Support student activities, including participation in national conferences and competitions.
- Provide scholarships for students with interest in financial planning.
- Ensure that the Annual Fall Financial Planning Workshop remains a signature event.
- Explore ways to expand the scope and impact of the Financial Planning program.

#### Role of Founders' Club members

The following outlines the important and integral role of the Founders' Club in the future of the Texas A&M Financial Planning program (benefits vary by contribution level):

- Gold and Platinum contributions provide life-time memberships in the Founders' Club. Bronze and Silver contributions provide 5-year memberships in the Founders' Club.
- The Founders' Club will meet regularly to review program progress and provide advisory guidance.
- The contributions of Founders' Club members will be individually recognized in program publications, the program's website, and at program-sponsored events.
- Program Founders will interact with students in workshops, career fairs, and networking events.
- The Founders' Club and the Program Director will jointly develop an internship selection process.
- Student scholarships will be awarded on behalf of the Founders' Club.
- The Founders Club will be recognized as a sponsor of student activities.

For a modest commitment, you can help support this new growing program, play a role in shaping its future, and assure that it is meeting the needs of the Financial Planning profession.

The success of this program to date is due, in large part, to the high level of involvement of successful financial planners like you. As we explore ways to find resources to support this new and expanding program, we are grateful for your continuing support and look forward to working with you and your firm in the future.

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