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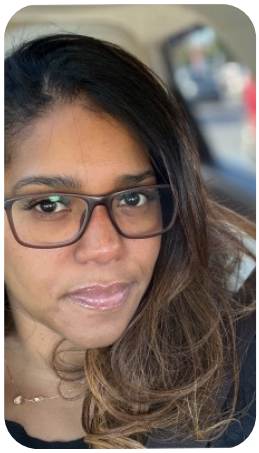
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HR Professional of the Year Award Nominations

Coming Soon!

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CHARLES T. SCIOTTO AWARD FOR HR EXCELLENCE

Member Spotlight: Angel Bradford



This month we learned a little bit about Angel Bradford who has been a member of HRPCPA since 2025. Angel Bradford brings passion, creativity, and a people-first mindset to her work with the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, where she focuses on talent development, training, recruitment strategies, and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives. With nearly six years at the agency and a career spanning communications, operational management, and HR, Angel has built a reputation for creating meaningful learning experiences that connect with employees on a personal level.

Before joining the Gaming Control Board, Angel worked with the Office of Administration and Wolf's team of DEI designees, helping employees better understand topics like unconscious bias and microaggressions through open conversation and education. She takes pride in creating collaborative environments where people feel comfortable asking questions, learning from one another, and walking away with new perspectives.

One of Angel's favorite projects at the Gaming Control Board has been helping expand training opportunities across the agency. She currently facilitates personality assessment workshops that help employees better understand themselves and improve communication with others. She is also involved in developing a four-day supervisory training program for managers and leaders.

Angel believes the heart of HR is human connection. ***Her advice to anyone beginning a career in HR is to find what they are passionate about and bring that passion into their work every day. "The best way to relate to people is through storytelling and putting the human first," she shared.***

Outside of work, Angel enjoys comedy shows, concerts, and creating intricate nail art designs — a creative outlet she describes as both peaceful and artistic.

Nicole Little

Communications Committee Member

Our Website Has A New Look! Check It Out & Give Us Your Feedback!





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Building a Stronger Workforce Through Community Connections

Supporting employees doesn't always mean having every resource in-house. Often, some of the most valuable support is already available within our communities.

National Nonprofit Day is celebrated annually on August 17 to recognize the positive impact of charitable organizations. Local nonprofits provide services that can complement your organization's existing benefits, helping employees navigate challenges that extend beyond the workplace. From mental health support and financial counseling to housing assistance, food security, career development, and crisis response, community organizations offer expertise and resources that many employers cannot provide on their own.

For HR professionals and business leaders, building relationships with trusted nonprofit partners is a practical way to strengthen employee well-being while expanding your support network. Whether your organization has a robust benefits package or is looking for affordable ways to enhance employee support, community partnerships can help fill critical gaps and connect employees with the right resources when they need them most.

Investing in these connections demonstrates a commitment to employees as whole people, not just members of your workforce. When employees have access to the support they need, they're better positioned to overcome challenges, remain engaged, and thrive.

The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) can help bridge the gap by connecting organizations with community resources and nonprofit partners. Through its mission of strengthening local communities by investing in them now and for future generations, TFEC helps cultivate the relationships that benefit both employers and the communities they serve.

To learn more about the nonprofit resources and partnerships available in your region, contact Stefani McAuliffe, VP of Community Impact, at smcauliffe@tfec.org or 717.236.5040, ext.124.



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Lead, Connect, and Make an Impact with Us!

Are you looking for a meaningful way to grow your leadership skills, expand your professional network, and give back to the HR community? We are seeking passionate volunteers to join our Board and leadership team for the 2027-2028 term.

We are currently recruiting for the following volunteer leadership positions:

- **Communications Director** - Leads a committee of volunteers and is responsible for all social media, website, membership-wide communications.
- **Workforce Readiness & College Relations Director** - Leads a committee of volunteers and is responsible for the planning for July chapter meeting, Fall webinar series (new in 2026!), and the scholarship & award program.
- **Membership Engagement Chair** - Serves on the Membership committee and is responsible for the planning of Spring/Summer/Fall volunteer/networking events.
- **Sponsorship Chair** - *New in 2027!* Serves on the Programs Committee and is responsible for the development of the Annual SponsorshipBrochure, securing sponsors, acting as a liaison to sponsors, and building and maintaining relationships with businesses.

These roles offer an opportunity to shape the future of our organization while collaborating with a dedicated team of volunteer leaders. Whether your strengths lie in communications, member engagement, building partnerships, or connecting students and emerging professionals with the HR profession, your expertise can make a lasting impact.

Serving in a leadership role is a rewarding way to develop new skills, build valuable relationships, earn recertification credits, and contribute to the success of our local HR community. Most positions require a manageable monthly time commitment and provide flexibility to balance volunteer service with your professional responsibilities.

If you're ready to take the next step in your journey or know someone who would be a great fit, we encourage you to apply or reach out to learn more. We welcome leaders with diverse experiences, fresh ideas, and a passion for advancing the HR profession in Central Pennsylvania.
Join us in helping HRPCPA continue to thrive. Your leadership can make a difference! Send an email with your interest and resume to vicepresident@hrpcpa.org.

Darice Mayhew
HRPCPA President

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