



ROBERTO HAMILTON, CFA NAMED VOLUNTEER OF THE QUARTER!

CFA Society Los Angeles (CFALA) is proud to honor Roberto Hamilton, CFA with the CFA Society Los Angeles Summer 2023 Volunteer of the Quarter in recognition of his hard work and dedication.

Originally a transplant from another city, Roberto joined CFA Society Los Angeles looking to meet professionals with similar interests and has since been instrumental as Chair of the Career Development Advisory Council, helping to transform the Annual Career Development Expo and promote career development for all CFALA members.

“My goal as chair of the Career Development Advisory Council is to create the premier networking and recruiting event for experienced CFA Charterholders in the Western Region by transforming the CFALA Society Career Expo and Job Fair into a fully virtual experience. In so doing, attendees and jobseekers will be able to maximize the number of meaningful interactions they have with employers and recruiters in a secure and anonymous manner, while employers and recruiters get to identify and schedule interviews with viable candidates prior to the event as well as capture real-time analytics to gather intelligence and enhance outcomes.”

With his experience so far, Roberto highly encourages member participation on CFALA boards and councils to ensure that the society produces content in alignment with their individual interests.

“Through my history of board service, I have learned that an effective way to attain the value one desires from an organization is to take an active role in its leadership (however the most effective way is to donate lots of money!)”

He offers a variety of advice to young professionals hesitant to join CFALA:

“The cost of membership is less than a romantic dinner for two on Valentine’s Day, and more likely to enhance your career prospects.”

After being asked “What would you say to inactive CFALA members to spark their interest again” he responded,

“You’ve already made the investment, so why wait until you need a job to begin networking with peers?”

For new members who wonder whether their involvement would have a positive impact on the society and/or their careers, Roberto offers this advice.

“First, write down your career goals.

Second, determine whether membership could help you achieve said goals.

Third, identify and attend society events that are in alignment with your goals.

Fourth, take a leadership position if you find the society is falling short of your interests.”
