

Tyler Furek, CFA Named Volunteer of the Quarter



Succession planning and execution can be incredibly difficult, especially when transitioning a position of long-term stability. CFA Society Los Angeles (CFALA) encountered this situation last year when Kerry Rapanot, CFA stepped down as the chair of the Economic and Investments Forecast Dinner Committee after helping to coordinate the event, CFALA's largest, for over 10 years. However, CFALA faced zero issues in the transition process. A significant reason for the smooth succession was Tyler Furek, CFA, the *CFA Society Los Angeles Fall 2017 Volunteer of the Quarter*, who began volunteering on the Forecast Dinner Committee prior to the 2016 Forecast Dinner. Furek has since transitioned into the role of chair of the Forecast Dinner Committee and oversaw the largest turnout for the Forecast Dinner in its history during his first year as chair in 2017.

"I was drawn to the Forecast Dinner because I see the value of hearing highly educated people turn views on the global economy into investment ideas," Furek explained.

He is currently helping to facilitate the [16th Annual Economic and Investments Forecast Dinner](#), which will be held on January 24th, 2018. Alongside longtime members of the Forecast Dinner Committee in George Dennis, Rapanot and Phyllis Thomas, CFA, Furek must execute a variety of responsibilities to deliver successful content for CFALA's most anticipated event.

"My role is to assist in finding interesting speakers who can share their opinion on the global economy, while also delivering a clear perspective from which the audience can make actionable investment ideas," he said. "A portion of the proceeds are also given to the California Council on Economic Education to increase financial literacy among K-12 students."

Furek not only dedicates his time and effort on the Forecast Dinner – he also utilizes his immense experience in the industry to volunteer as a mentor in the CFALA Career Mentorship Program.

"I volunteered to mentor because I wanted to offer perspective to people who are pursuing the CFA designation and also to those who are looking for independent and unbiased career advice," Furek said. "I've had several professional mentors in my life, so I wanted to find a way to pass on the advice and guidance that has been passed down to me."

Furek received his Bachelor of Business Administration from Loyola University in Maryland. He is currently an Intermediary Relationship Manager at Capital Group. Furek was formerly a Senior Vice President at Fidelity Institutional Asset Management and Communication Specialist at MassMutual. He holds a Certified Investment Management Analyst designation in addition to a Chartered Financial Analyst designation.