



John Dahlem, CFA, Named December Volunteer of Month

Many charter candidates look back gratefully at those who helped them prepare for the rigorous exams required to gain the coveted CFA designation. John Dahlem, our December volunteer of the month, is among those who have extended helping hands.

Dahlem, who joined CFALA in 2011 after receiving his own charter, volunteers as a coordinator at the highly regarded USC/CFALA review program, and previously was a mentor there. Like all volunteers, Dahlem feels that the rewards of helping others have been numerous.

“I like working with people who are taking the exams and helping with the future of the society and institute,” he said. “I like helping other people in general. I made a number of friends with other society members through volunteering. Also, it’s a great way to network and meet other people with similar interests.”

Now a Corporate Finance Associate with Los Angeles-based Oaktree Capital Management, Dahlem’s interest in finance and investments was sparked by his father, who worked in those fields.

A graduate of USC’s Marshall School of Business, Dahlem also volunteers with Junior Achievement, helping educate youths in the local community, encouraging them to be entrepreneurs and manage their finances responsibly.