

KEVIN DUONG, NAMED VOLUNTEER OF THE QUARTER



CFA Society Los Angeles (CFALA) is proud to honor Kevin Duong with the *CFA Society Los Angeles Winter 2022 Volunteer of the Quarter* in recognition of his hard work and dedication.

Duong has been instrumental as co-chair of the Social and Networking Commission helping to organize unique and engaging social events. While working and studying to gain his CFA Charter, Duong contributes his free time to volunteering for CFALA.

"The most fulfilling memory for me would be when we had bowling night, right after COVID restrictions were lifted," said Duong, "The event was sold out, and everyone I've talked to was grateful to have an in-person gathering. There was one attendee who came all the way from Marina Del Ray to Arcadia just to see everyone."

After enrolling in the USC/CFALA CFA® Review Program, Duong now gives back as he is a Level III candidate that found the program helpful to his progress.

"I signed up for the USC/CFALA CFA® Review Program, there I met my mentor, and I am very grateful for having the opportunity to be paired with a mentor, and I can't thank CFALA enough for that," said Duong.

In this new normal, since most pandemic restrictions have been lifted, it is understandable to be hesitant about meeting new people. However, Duong still has the enthusiasm not only for meeting new people but for coming up with new ideas for events too.

"Volunteering is very important to me; it has given me the opportunity to meet so many motivated and intelligent individuals, some becoming good friends, said Duong. "It's nice to be in a community and have a support system."

Kevin Duong is currently a CFA level 3 candidate at First Republic Investment Management, where he is a Private Wealth Client Service Associate. Prior to that, he worked at Wedbush Securities, where he participated in ETF creation and servicing prime brokers. In his spare time, Kevin enjoys road biking, hiking, and training for the next triathlon.