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**Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) Foundation Announces
HR Florida State Council as Top Fundraiser for 2016**
Five Florida chapters also make Top 25 fundraising list

Tampa, Fla. – Feb. 15, 2017 – The [Society for Human Resource Management](#) (SHRM) Foundation has announced its top fundraisers of 2016. [HR Florida State Council](#) took the top spot in the country for state councils, while five state chapters landed in the Top 25: SHRM Jacksonville (No. 7), Greater Orlando SHRM (No. 13), HR Collier (No. 19), Big Bend SHRM (No. 20) and HR Tampa (No. 25). SHRM has more than 575 affiliated chapters nationwide.

Funds raised throughout 2016 will go towards the [SHRM Foundation](#). The SHRM Foundation champions workforce and workplace transformation and inspires HR professionals to make it happen. It provides HR professionals with scholarships, opportunities, solutions and resources to create change in their organizations and their communities.

“The SHRM Foundation is instrumental in empowering HR professionals to build inclusive organizations where employees thrive and organizations succeed,” said HR Florida State Council President Lynnette Holsinger. “We are pleased that HR Florida’s fundraising efforts over the past year have played a part in that important work.”

HR Florida has continuously been a leader in donating contributions to the SHRM Foundation. All of the state’s 28 chapters contributed to the Foundation in 2016, bringing the total funds raised in 2016 to more than \$77,000 – a 12 percent increase from 2015. HR Florida is the premier resource for best practices to the public and HR professionals in the state of Florida. It currently represents more than 14,000 HR professionals and 6,300 Florida employers, ranging from large corporations to small businesses.

According to Holsinger, HR Florida will strive to increase its fundraising contributions in 2017 to support the Foundation’s two primary initiatives: Preparing for the Aging Workforce, and Integrating and Engaging Military Veterans in the Workforce. SHRM Foundation also hopes to award more than 300 scholarships this year – its highest number yet.

For more information about the SHRM Foundation, visit SHRMFoundation.org.

About HR Florida State Council

Representing over 14,000 human resource professionals and 6,300 Florida employers, HR

Florida State Council is the state affiliate for the [Society for Human Resource Management](#) (SHRM). HR Florida facilitates services and programs for the collective interest of the state's SHRM and local chapter membership, and promotes activities that serve and advance the human resources profession. Its primary objective is to support the mission and initiatives of SHRM through education. HR Florida is a 100 percent volunteer organization consisting of 28 SHRM-affiliated chapters across the state. For more information, go to HRFlorida.org, Facebook at Facebook.com/hrflorida/, Twitter at [@HRFlorida](https://twitter.com/HRFlorida), or [LinkedIn](#).

About SHRM Foundation

The SHRM Foundation is a values-based charity organization whose mission is to champion workforce and workplace transformation by providing research-based HR solutions for challenging inclusion issues facing current and potential employees, scholarships to educate and develop HR professionals to make change happen and opportunities for HR professionals to make a difference in their local communities. The SHRM Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizational affiliate of the Society for Human Resource Management. For more information, visit SHRMFoundation.org.