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Connecting, supporting, and looking ahead

By Doug Friend

To Our Wonderful Angels and Donors,

As we head into an exciting season for our community, we're especially looking forward to connecting with many of you at the NCRA Conference & Expo this July in Bellevue, Wash.

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NCRA Conference & Expo

Win a NexGen writer. Give back and support the future of court reporting and captioning



**WIN A
Stenograph NEXGEN Writer!**
Generously donated by Stenograph

Purchase tickets at the NCRF booth at NCRA Conference & Expo, or text the keyword **nexgen2026** to 41444.
\$50 for one ticket | \$125 for three tickets | \$250 for six tickets
Winner selected at the 2026 Membership Celebration.



Winners do not need to be present to win

The National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF) has announced its 2026 Stenograph NexGen writer fundraiser — a chance to win a cutting-edge Stenograph writer while making a meaningful impact on the mission of NCRF, which supports all NCRA members.

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Cheers to Tech and Treats: Enter to win and support the future of court reporting and captioning



**WIN THE NCRF
'Cheers' to Tech and Treats
RAFFLE BASKET**



Caymus Cabernet Sauvignon 50-year anniversary & Sea Smoke Chardonnay
Two 20oz NCRF Angel cups
reMarkable tablet bundle (tablet, folio/case and eraser pen)
Two \$50 Starbucks gift cards
Total value: \$950+

TICKETS: \$25 each | 3 for \$50
Text keyword **2026brew** to 41444

Brought to you by the NCRF Angel Gatherers Committee

The National Court Reporters Foundation is excited to introduce its 2026 *Cheers to Tech and Treats* fundraiser — a unique opportunity to win a curated collection of

Purse for a Purpose: Win a designer bag while supporting NCRF



NCRA members are eligible to win a stylish MZ Wallace Crossbody Bag, valued at approximately \$345, during the 2026 NCRA Conference & Expo in Bellevue, Wash. The winner does not need to be present to win.

premium wines, innovative technology, and everyday favorites — all while supporting the mission of NCRF.

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Deadline extended to May 18 for NCRA Conference travel award



July 16-18, 2026 | Bellevue, Washington

Members and students are invited to apply for one of ten \$1,000 Christine Phipps Family Foundation Travel Awards, and the deadline to apply has been extended to May 18! The awards provide financial assistance to first-time conference attendees to help offset the costs associated with attending the NCRA Conference & Expo.

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Foundation Programs

Leading with the heart: The Bonn Fund launches to support the future of the profession

The National Court Reporters Foundation is proud to announce the launch of *Leading with the Heart: The Bonn Fund*, a new unrestricted fund established by the Foundation's Board of Trustees Chair-Elect Meredith A. Bonn, RPR, CRR. As Bonn prepares to assume the role of Chair at this year's NCRA Conference & Expo in Bellevue, Wash., she is marking the moment with a powerful call to invest in the future of court reporting and captioning.

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Keep the connection going: Join upcoming Peer-to-Peer Support sessions

PEER-TO-PEER SUPPORT
Confidential Space. Collective Strength.
HOSTED ON ZOOM BY NCRF



Session 3 | JUNE 11
7:30-9 p.m. Eastern
Register by June 10, Noon Eastern
Facilitated by Bev Perez, MSW, former police officer and certified peer support and grief support facilitator

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The conversations don't end when a session does. In fact, for many NCRA members, that's when the real impact begins. Members are relieved they can share experiences privately. Following an impactful session last month, the National Court Reporters Foundation's [Peer-to-Peer Support program](#) continues to build momentum, offering members ongoing opportunities to connect, share, and support one another throughout the year.

[Read more.](#)

A lasting impact: Supporting the future through NCRF's Legacy Society: Tami Keenan explains her 'why'

Tami Keenan, FAPR, RPR, CPE, a retired court reporter from Battle Creek, Mich., who currently works as a scopist, has seen the impact of the NCRF Legacy Society firsthand over her more than 30-year career. An NCRA Past President, past NCRF Chair, and longtime volunteer and supporter, Keenan has been closely connected to the Foundation's work and mission.

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Ask Me Anything

First time at an NCRA Conference & Expo? Here's what panelists shared at the last AMA



During last month's Ask Me Anything ZoomUp, the National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF) panelists shared information to help first-time attendees feel prepared and confident as they make plans to attend the NCRA Conference & Expo in Bellevue, Wash.

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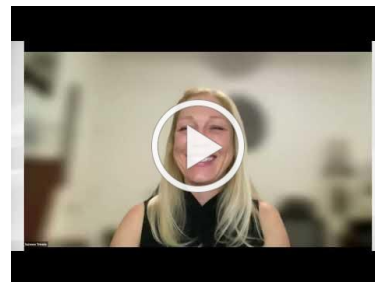
Watch the recording: Ask Me Anything about exploring career paths across the professions



How far can a steno career really take qualified court reporters and captioners? For those who weren't able to join us live for the March Ask Me Anything ZoomUp, members can watch a recording of the event.

[Read more.](#)

Ready to upgrade your toolkit? Watch the NCRF AMA ZoomUp Go-To Gadgets replay



During the recent National Court Reporters Foundation Ask Me Anything ZoomUp: Go-To Gadgets, an expert panel of working professionals shared the devices, apps, and backup strategies they rely on every day.

[Read more.](#)

NCRF Grants

\$8,000+ in grants available for new professionals

Applications are open for two grants offered through the National Court Reporters Foundation: the Michelle Grimes Memorial Grant and the Monyeen Black Memorial Grant. These opportunities are open to new professionals in their first two years of employment who have earned the RSR or RPR certification. And see what other NCRF grants new professionals can apply for!

[Read more.](#)



Foundation Grants for the Aspiring
Resources for your career. Apply today.

New Professionals Grant
Application deadline June 5

Monyeen Black Memorial Grant
Application deadline June 12

Michelle Grimes Memorial Grant
Application deadline June 12

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Student Scholarships

Launch your career: Apply for the NCRF Career Launcher Scholarship



Practice depositions from the comfort of your home

Career Launcher is the innovative professional training program designed for anyone who needs a crash course in the life of a deposition reporter.

STUDENTS!
Apply for a Scholarship by **JUNE 12**

**NCRF**
CAREER LAUNCHER
Corinne Clark Professional Institute Education Program

Ready to bridge the gap between graduation and your first deposition? The National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF) is offering the quarterly Career Launcher Student Scholarship to help dedicated steno students get ahead. The next deadline to apply is June 12.

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Two students named recipients of 2026 NCRF Gina Battaglia Memorial Student Intern Scholarship

The National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF) proudly announces the recipients of the 2026 Gina Battaglia Memorial Student Intern Scholarship: Wendy Lee and Katrina Newman.

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The graphic features a woman sitting at a desk with a laptop, a magnifying glass over a dollar sign on a notepad, and a dashed line connecting the text to the woman.

NCRF Angels

Become an Angel today

It only takes an \$83 monthly donation to become an Angel. The Angels program is a major source of support for the National Court Reporters Foundation. Angels display their commitment to the future of the profession by donating a minimum of \$1,000 to NCRF within a year. Your monthly, quarterly, or annual donation will be a 2026 tax write-off. Your NCRF support in any amount to any fundraiser is always appreciated.



[Become an Angel](#)



Twenty+ years of giving: Angel donors receive commemorative pins

For two decades, the Angel Donor Program has represented the heart of sustained philanthropy for the National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF). This past year, a special milestone was marked as the Foundation

recognized its inaugural group of 20-year Angel donors with newly designed commemorative pins — small symbols carrying a big story of dedication.

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Foundation FAQs

Important info about NCRF

1. Meet the 2025-2026 [NCRF Board of Trustees](#).
2. Want to know more about our [Foundation programs](#)?
3. Check out our [Foundation fundraisers](#) and select one that means the most to you.
4. Be a steno ambassador! NCRF offers [Making the Record](#) assets — sharable tools to support outreach and education.

[Learn more.](#)

Thank you!



Why give to NCRF? Support the programs that matter most to you - at any stage of your career. Giving back to nonprofits that are meaningful to you is a source of joy. The Foundation offers many choices so you can donate an amount that fits in with your budget. All donations to NCRF fundraisers are appreciated and are a tax write-off. [Consider these campaigns.](#)



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