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2026 President's Letter

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Dear FPA Silicon Valley Members,

Happy New Year! As we step into 2026, I want to take a moment to reflect on the journey we've shared and the opportunities that lie ahead. Last year, I spoke about the power of an abundance mindset—the belief that there is more than enough opportunity, knowledge, and success to go around. That mindset continues to be the foundation of our chapter's growth and the spirit of our profession.

This year, I'd like to build on that idea by focusing on something that amplifies abundance: **volunteerism**.

When we give our time, energy, and expertise, we create ripples that extend far beyond ourselves. Volunteering is not just about filling a role—it's about shaping the future of financial planning, strengthening our community, and elevating the profession we love. Every hour you contribute, every idea you share, and every connection you foster adds to the collective abundance of our chapter.

The Financial Planning Association thrives because of volunteers. Our programs, events, advocacy efforts, and educational initiatives exist because members like you step forward. Whether you have an hour a month or a few hours a year, your involvement matters. It matters to your peers, to aspiring planners, and to the clients who benefit from a stronger, more connected profession.

As we look ahead, I invite you to consider how you can contribute. Join a committee, mentor a student, help plan an event, or simply share your ideas. There is a place for everyone, and your unique talents can make a difference.

Together, let's make 2026 a year of action—a year where abundance is not just a mindset, but a movement fueled by generosity and engagement.

Thank you for being part of FPA Silicon Valley. I'm excited for what we will accomplish together.

Warm regards,

Kate Davalos

President, FPA Silicon Valley Chapter