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Call for Volunteers

NIRI is an organization of volunteers as intended by NIRI's founders. Some time ago, NIRI founding member Dick Morrill sent me a treasure trove of original documents on the formation of NIRI. Among these papers are the original 1969 NIRI Bylaws that begin, "For the purpose of promoting the common interest of persons engaged in the profession of investor relations, the corporation (NIRI) shall: (A) Encourage the voluntary (emphasis added) interchange among members of the Institute of experience, ideas and information as to methods and techniques of investor relations ..."

This is what makes our professional association unique and distinct from for-profit ventures. Yes, NIRI has dues-paying members, but the basis for this was to create a larger organization with the "clout" and resources necessary to better accomplish NIRI's original purposes. And since 1969, NIRI has been driven by you, the vast number of NIRI members who have volunteered your time and expertise, gathering together to advance [NIRI's mission](#).

NIRI continues to need your help at the national and local levels. For example, NIRI's Certification Council is currently seeking volunteers to serve on committees managing various aspects of the [IRC™ Certification Program](#). For more information and to apply, please contact NIRI's Director of Certification Iman Hannon at certification@niri.org. There are also multiple [other ways](#) you can contribute throughout the NIRI organization. Won't you consider stepping forward like so many before you have ***for the good of the cause?***

With just under four months to go until the NIRI Annual Conference, June 4 – 7 in Orlando, and to assist with your travel planning, the conference agenda-at-a-glance is [now available](#). Make sure to [sign up](#) by February 27 for advance registration savings.

Finally, NIRI's "Finance 101" and "Finance Essentials" seminars take place in New York on March 27 – 30. For more information, [click here](#).

Best regards,
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