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A graduate of Bradley and Indiana Universities, Joe holds an MFA in creative writing. He is a CFRE and completed the Certified Financial Planner Course at Northwestern University.

Past board president of the Chicago Council on Planned Giving, Joe received the Jon Heintzelman Volunteer Service Award. He currently sits on AFP Chicago's board of directors, is a member of the Continuous Learning Committee, and co-chaired AFP's Fellows Committee. He also serves as a mentor.

Joe began his career as a part-time grant writer and subsequently worked in many areas of fund development and communications. He specializes, though, in major and planned gifts, and has led teams at The Newberry Library, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and Loyola University.

Currently, he is VP of Development at Orchard Village, raising support for people with developmental disabilities. A published essayist and poet, Joe enjoys needle felting and learning to cook Jacques Pepin's recipes.