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David Almonte, CPA, CGMA – 2020 40 Under 40 Honoree

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like-minded individuals from around the world who share a similar passion, vision and ambition for moving local and global communities forward. The Organization has grown to a community of over 1,000 business and community leaders from across the United States. David has been published in numerous media outlets, including: The New York Times, CNBC, CNBC + Acorns, AICPA Journal of Accountancy, Kiplinger, Chase.com, US World and News Report, Yahoo Finance and Financial Management Magazine. David has also received the following professional awards: GoLocal Prov "18 Who Made a Difference in 2018," CCRI 2018 Outstanding Alumni – Squire Award, 2019 CPA Practice Advisor 40 under 40 and 2020 Rhode Island Inno "Inno On Fire" Award.

What are you doing to make a difference in the profession, your community, the world?

Several years ago I committed to a personal mission and called it "saying yes to anything that scares me." Ever since that day, I have accomplished so much, both personally and professionally, and it has set me out on a path I otherwise would not have known. As a co-founder of a local not-for-profit, FountainHead RI, we have taken something that previously didn't exist and created an ecosystem of over 1,000 business and community leaders, from across the country, to create a more inclusive, dynamic and better prepared professional community for years to come.

Favorite books/websites/podcasts/speakers:

Books

- What Got You Here Won't Get You There by Marshall Goldsmith
- GRIT: The Power of Passion and Perseverance by Angela Duckworth
- That Will Never Work: Netflix by Marc Randolph
- Fierce Conversations by Susan Scott

- **212: The Extra Degree by Sam Parker**

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