



A REPORT TO OUR MEMBERS 2017-2018

SUMMARY

The Seattle Chapter ended another successful program year in May 2018. The Chapter met its goal of exceeding 19,500 points to receive the AGA's Platinum Chapter Recognition Award, the highest level offered. The award is in recognition for our successes in leadership, education, certification, community service, communications, membership, and local awards. Thanks to all Seattle Chapter members for helping to obtain and surpass our target!

During the program year, we offered 24 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) through our luncheons, webinars and annual Professional Development Conference (PDC), held jointly with the Washington State Society of Certified Public Accountants. Our members received a total of 325 hours CPE through our 2017-2018 offerings.

As is our tradition, in 2018 we recognized outstanding members of our chapter with an end-of-the-year awards ceremony. The Chapter continues to use our website, emails, and social media to reach out to our membership. The Seattle Chapter is represented on AGA National boards and committees.

As part of our community outreach, we collected toys for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program and partnered with Sound Generations to collect funds by establishing a dedicated AGA Seattle link for donations to help provide meals, gifts, and other support to areas seniors.

Sincerely, your Chapter Board



Incoming Seattle Chapter President Karen Murphy, MBA, CPA



Outgoing Seattle Chapter President Mary Ann Hardy, CPA



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OUR MISSION

AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability.

OUR GOALS

Accountability
Certification
Education
Service

For more on AGA Seattle Chapter, visit our website at: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Seattle>

ACHIEVEMENTS



National Recognition. The Seattle Chapter was presented the following awards at the national Professional Development Training in Orlando, Florida, in July 2018:

- Platinum Regional Vice President Award. Sandra Starnes, Northwest RVP and AGA Seattle Board Member, was recognized for her exceptional service and efforts in performing her duties.
- Platinum Chapter Recognition Program Award. The AGA Seattle Chapter was recognized for its activities that helped grow the chapter and our community. The highest award level requires at least 19,501 points across eight categories: Leadership, Education, Certification, Communications, Membership, Accountability, Community Service, and Awards. A special thanks to President-Elect Karen Murphy, who collected and reported our chapter activities and accepted the award on behalf of Chapter President Mary Ann Hardy.
- Chapter Newsletter Award. The AGA Seattle Chapter produces the SOUNDER newsletter each month from September to May. Sam Lord, Treasurer, accepted the Group D award (chapters with 50-99 members) for the April 2018 issue. Special thanks to our newsletter editor, Tim Dobler, for his contributions in putting together our newsletter this program year.

Local Recognition. On the local level, the Seattle Chapter granted awards to outstanding individuals in four areas. Chapter President Mary Ann Hardy presided over an awards ceremony in May 2018 to recognize the achievements of the following individuals.

- Emerald Award. Tim Dobler received the chapter's annual Emerald Award in recognition of his outstanding leadership in the field of government accountability and service to the public.
- The Distinguished Mid-Career Professional Award. Sam Lord received this new chapter award in recognition of his significant professional and community service accomplishments demonstrate commitment to the AGA values of service, accountability, integrity, and leadership.
- Emerging Leader Award. Taylor Masukawa received the chapter's other new award in recognition of her notable contributions toward excellence in government accountability as an early career professional in government or public service.
- Volunteer of the Year Award. Karyn Angulo received this chapter award for her exemplary volunteer service to the chapter.

Additionally, we were pleased to present the Excellence in Government Award awarded by AGA National to Michael Jacobson, King County Performance, Strategy and Budget Team, for his outstanding contributions to the trade.



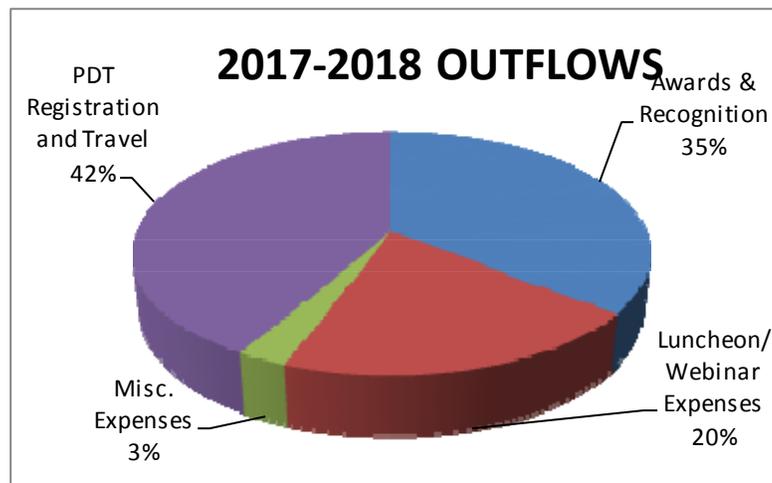
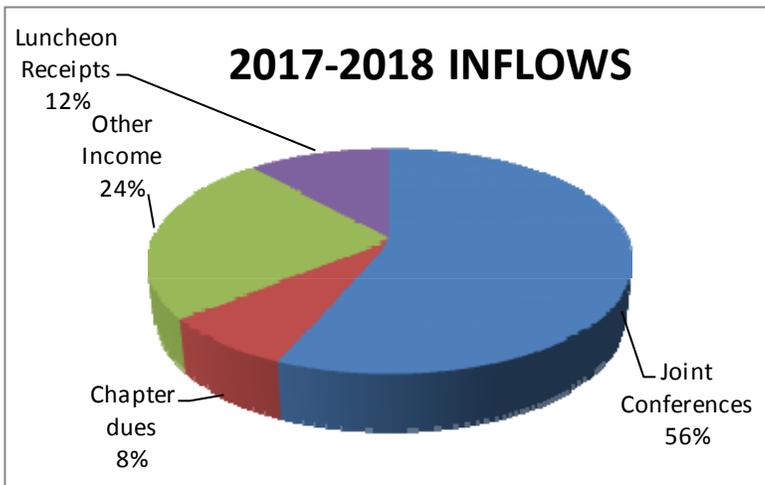
Award winners (L to R) Tim Dobler, Karyn Angulo, Taylor Masukawa, Michael Jacobson, and Sam Lord

FINANCIALS



The Seattle Chapter currently partners with the Washington Society of CPAs in putting on an annual Governmental Accounting and Auditing Conference. Revenue from these conferences is our primary source of income. Other sources include chapter membership dues, reimbursements, luncheon revenues, and interest income (less than 1%).

Our expenditures are primarily related to assisting members with grants and scholarships to represent the chapter at AGA events, sponsoring outreach to students, promoting CGFM certification, and making contributions to charitable organizations. Other expenses include costs of CPE presentations and board and chapter expenses. By using the Government Accountability Office's training facilities for our monthly meetings, instead of a commercial facility, we keep down the costs of our meetings. However, for the program year, we had a net loss of \$939.99. One challenge in the coming year is to increase revenues and membership in the chapter to better serve our members and the community.



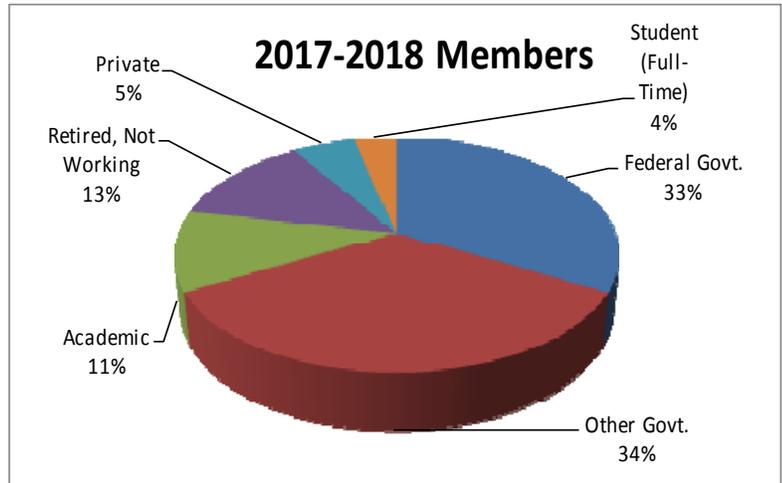
At the 2018 GAAC, left to right: Chapter Secretary Karyn Angulo, Chapter President Mary Ann Hardy, AGA National President Jim Arnette, and Chapter Treasurer Sam Lord.

DEMOGRAPHICS & CONTACTS



The Seattle Chapter includes, but is not limited to, members from the following cities: Seattle, Tacoma, Bellevue, Everett, and Kirkland. Our meetings are typically once a month from September through May at the Government Accountability Office's training facility in the Columbia Center, 701 Fifth Ave, Seattle. Lunch starts at 11:30am and the CPE program starts at noon.

Our chapter had 56 members at the end of program year 2017-2018. Members are divided into three categories of roughly equal size: Federal Government, Other Government (state, county, city, and Native American), and Non-Government (students, academics, private practitioners, and retired or not working members). Approximately 40% of our members have an active Certified Government Financial Manager certification.



We hope you've enjoyed the AGA Seattle Chapter's inaugural citizen-centric report that summarizes our 2017-2018 program year activities. If you'd like more information about the chapter, the benefits of membership in AGA, or have suggestions for how to improve our programs and outreach, please contact us at info.agaseattle@gmail.com.

Our board members for the 2017-2018 program year were:

Mary Ann Hardy - President and Professional Development Chair

Karen Murphy - President-Elect

Diane MaKaeli - Immediate Past President, and Education Chair

Sam Lord – Treasurer, Webmaster, and Early Careers Chair

Karyn Angulo – Secretary and Historian

Gabrielle Sivage - CGFM Chair and Community Service Chair

Tim Dobler - Newsletter Editor

Tony Eayrs - Membership Chair

John Kurpierz, Ken Smith, and Sandra Starnes – Board Members

This CCR was prepared by Tim Dobler and edited by Karyn Angulo, who also provided the mast photo. Thanks to everyone on the board who contributed information used to prepare this report.