



# ABQ CHAPTER

## NOVEMBER 2017

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear AGA Albuquerque-

Fall is here, balloons are filling the sky, and the smell of pumpkin spice lattes are in the air. So bundle up and come out and join us for all our upcoming events.

I want to thank all of you who attended our August and September luncheons. Your participation is the key to our success. We will be offering an exciting topic every month, so come out and join us and get your CPE's.

I would like to encourage all of you to help the Albuquerque Chapter in recruiting new members. Growth is essential to our Chapter's success and our goal this year is a big one. We would like to have 15 new members this year. Know anyone that was a past member that may be interested in joining again. Reach out and get them back on board. There are many reasons to join the AGA from education to publications like the "Journal of Government Financial Management" to help keep up with local as well as national issues. Also, you receive discounts when taking the CGFM exam. Keep a lookout for the Albuquerque chapters You Pass We Pay program coming soon.

Our school supplies drive kicked off our community service events for the year and I want to thank all of those that donated. Our next event will begin in November and is a perfect way to give back right before the holidays. Let's bring some joy this holiday to our local kids by participating in our UNM Children's hospital event. Let's make it the biggest one ever and leave no sick child behind in the gift department this holiday season. We will be sending out a flyer with all the details very soon so stay tuned.

I look forward to seeing you all at one of our next events.

Krista Ganes-Chavez  
Albuquerque Chapter President



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# AGA ABQ News



Tim Keller is seeking to be the Mayor of Albuquerque and is in a run off against Councilman Dan Lewis. Many issues that affect Albuquerque citizens have come up during the debates and many solutions have been communicated. The election may have a change at the Office of the State Auditor. With a Keller victory, Governor Martinez can appoint a republican as the State Auditor something that has not occurred since Harrold G. Thompson was State Auditor 1969-1970.



The Office of the State Auditor (OSA) announced that two of its lead staff won New Mexico Society of Certified Public Accountants (NMSCPA) Pride in the Profession Awards.

Sanjay Bhakta, Deputy State Auditor, won the award for Outstanding Member in Government. Emily Oster, Director of Compliance and Quality Control, won the award for Woman to Watch, Emerging Leader.



“We are honored that two of our office’s lead staff have been recognized for making significant contributions to the accounting profession and to our community,” stated State Auditor Tim Keller. “We are grateful to have Sanjay Bhakta and Emily Oster on our team, demonstrating the kind of leadership, ethics and hard work that can make government work better for all New Mexicans.”

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## CCR

### Citizen-Centric Reporting

Government at all levels – federal, state and local – seek to be transparent with their spending. But instead of providing complex financial statements that require an accounting degree to understand, AGA provides the Citizen Centric Report (CCR).

AGA's Citizen-Centric Reporting (CCR) is a user-friendly report that is not just for accountants and auditors. It summarizes the most important points of a governmental entity. Citizens have a right to accurate information about how government is spending their taxpayer dollars. AGA believes these reports will help citizens better understand the services provided by their government — and at what cost. In today's time of tight budgets, governments must be transparent to citizens about their decisions. CCRs can help Americans become more active and better informed voters.

I am very happy to say this is my second year in working with the Albuquerque Chapter to complete a CCR. The CCR is appealing because of the story it tells through pictures of our events, charts about who we represent and of course all about the money. We want to share with our members the revenue we brought in through membership dues and trainings and the cost to provide those training and the annual Professional Development Training (PDT).

We encourage you to work with your government employer or with the city or town where you live, and persuade them to produce a CCR. If you have questions about the CCR or would like help in getting your CCR started contact me, I would be happy to help. We hope to see you soon at our training events!

Donna Sandoval CGFM

Take a few minutes to read our 2017 CCR link by visiting our website [ABQ CCR](#)

# Events

## Lunch & Learn

Identifying Risks and Responding  
Though Internal Audit



**REDW** LLC

November 30, 2017

Go to AGA website for details

Jessica Bundy CPA  
REDW Internal Audit Principal



# Events



## ABQ Balloon Fiesta



# AGA ALBUQUERQUE LEADERSHIP

## MISSION STATEMENT

Albuquerque AGA serves government accountability professionals by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance government accountability.

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