



December 2020

NEWSLETTER

Message from the Chapter President

Happy Holiday's AGA Albuquerque,

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude and warm wishes to all our members and our community who have supported AGA and our Albuquerque Chapter. This year our Chapter has shown tremendous resiliency while operating within our remote environment and for that I am truly grateful.

I encourage you all to take advantage of our Chapter's Winter Series, which includes 6.5 hours of CPE presented by three of our own CEC Chapter members covering some exciting GASB and CARES Act updates. This winter we ask that you please consider contributing to our Chapter Sponsored Community Service Event with CASA Partners 4NMKids to help make a difference for our New Mexico families.

As we look forward to 2021, be on the lookout for a questionnaire related to the 2021 AGA Professional Development Training. Your feedback and recommendations are greatly appreciated as we aim to provide you with a safe and valuable PDT. Now is the time to make resolutions – consider becoming a CGFM or joining the Albuquerque Chapter CEC for our next program year.

Please enjoy a happy and safe holiday season and prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Nuñez, CPA

AGA Albuquerque Chapter President



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COVID-19 Resource Exchange

COVID-19 brought many changes in a short period of time. While many have gone back to work, many more are still working from home for safety purposes. The AGA has provided many tools to assist with the transition, including:

Track the Money - Pandemic Response Accountability Committee

DoD IG: COVID-19 Oversight Plan

How to Manage Your Newly Remote Workforce

For the full list of resources, visit:

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Tools-Resources/COVID19Resources.aspx>

CEC PROFILE *Donna Sandoval*



Hello Members and Happy Holidays!

I am Donna Sandoval, the Accountability Chair for the Albuquerque Chapter. This position is responsible for creating the Citizen Centric Report (CCR) for the chapter and promote accountability and transparency in government. I am willing to get you started on a CCR for your agency or local government. One of big advantages of creating a CCR is that it is citizen friendly, the report provides performance metrics, financial data and challenges that are important to citizens.

I am a director on the AGA National Governing Board, and I am the Chair for the National Accountability Committee. I served on both the AGA New Mexico and Albuquerque Chapters in several roles including chapter President, Accountability Outreach and Education Chair. I also served as Regional Vice President of the Southwest. Over my volunteer years in AGA, I became a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM). I highly recommend pursuing the CGFM, and 2021 is the perfect year for you to get started. And my volunteer work with AGA in organizing events, speaking and networking benefitted my career.

I have 28 years in state and local government finance. I am the Controller for the City of Albuquerque, prior I was the Assistant Commissioner of Administrative Services for the New Mexico State Land Office. I was a CFO for three state agencies over my years in state government. In 2019, I became a Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) and in 2020, I became a Certified Information Security Manager (CISM). These certifications compliment my Accounting and MIS background.

In 2020, I decided to volunteer in other organizations that I believe make a positive impact on our community. I am a member of the New Mexico League of Women Voters and sub-committee Justice Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) and in process of becoming a member of the board for the El Paso Chapter of Association of Latin Professionals for America (ALPFA).

One of the best parts of volunteering with AGA and other organizations is that my networking circle continues to get bigger. I look forward to seeing you soon at one of our AGA events!



Enjoy podcasts? Check out AGA's Accountability Talks!

"Accountability Talks" is a podcast focused on the government accountability community. We hope these conversations will enlighten and inspire you as you navigate your career, provide fascinating insights from government thought leaders and encourage you to take part in this vibrant community.

They are available on Apple Podcasts and Google Play.

During this Christmas Season, the Albuquerque AGA Chapter is partnering with "CASA Partners 4NMKIDS". CASA offers advocacy to foster children and youth in New Mexico, being the one stable adult in the child's life that advocates for the child directly to the judge.

The Albuquerque AGA Chapter will be providing a \$500 monetary contribution to assist with providing Christmas dinners for the foster children and their foster families during this season. We are asking our members to also consider making a contribution to this cause.

To make a donation go to: <https://www.casapartners4.org/how-to-help/donate.html>

Please notify Matt Bone, AGA Community Service Chair, if you make a donation for tracking purposes: Matthew.bone@claconnect.com



AGA National
Training Opportunities
all events are virtual
 Register at agacafm.org

January 13, 2021 12:00-1:50 MT

Uniform Guidance

2 CPEs

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

February 3, 2021 12:00-1:50 MT

GASB Update w/David Bean

2 CPEs

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

March 3, 2021 12:00-1:50 MT

Improper Payments

2 CPEs

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

March 24, 2021 12:00-1:50 MT

Cybersecurity/ERM

2 CPEs

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

April 7, 2021 12:00-1:50 MT

Ethics

2 CPEs

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

April 21, 2021 12:00-1:50 MT

CARES Act

2 CPEs

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members



2020 - 2021

AGA Albuquerque Chapter

Educational Offerings

in the time of COVID-19

All training via Zoom Webinars - registration links will be available at: www.AGAabq.org
 monthly webinars begin at 12 noon or 1pm | free for members | \$10 for non-members

monthly webinar

Thursday, October 29, 2020

CAFR Preparation (Tips and Tricks)
 by Alan D. "A.J." Bowers, Jr., CPA, CTP
 of Carr, Riggs & Ingram CPAs
 1 hour of YellowBook Technical CPE

Thursday, November 19, 2020

Potential Fraud, Waste, or Abuse...
 Now What?
 by Audrey Jaramillo, CPA, CFE of JAG
 2 hrs of YellowBook Technical CPE

monthly webinar

Friday, December 18, 2020

Winter Training Series - in-depth Technical YellowBook CPE on
 GASB 84; GASB 87; Uniform Guidance/YellowBook and CARES Act

monthly webinar

Thursday, January 21, 2021

Ethics
 by CliftonLarsonAllen
 1 hour of YellowBook CPE

Thursday, January 28, 2021

Lead from Where You Are
 by Tammy Hanan
 of CGI Federal
 Non-Technical CPE

monthly webinar

monthly webinar

Thursday, February 18, 2021

CARES Act Best Practices
 by Robert Lemon, CPA, CTP
 of Carr, Riggs & Ingram CPAs
 1 hour of YellowBook Technical CPE

Thursday, March 18, 2021

Critical Internal Controls
 by Moss Adams
 YellowBook Technical CPE

monthly webinar

National Webinars: March 3, 2021 | Improper Payments
 March 24, 2021 | Cybersecurity/ERM
 May 12, 2021 | Fraud/Data Analytics

Tuesday April 6, 2021 & Wednesday April 7, 2021

Albuquerque & New Mexico Chapters'
 Professional Development Training
 up to 16 hours of YellowBook CPE



Introducing the return of the

AGA Winter Series

December 18, 2020 9am - 4pm via Zoom Webinar

9:00 - 10:30 GASB 84 Implementation

Alan D. "A.J." Bowers, Jr., Partner with Carr, Riggs & Ingram, will provide an update the requirements of GASB 84 and lead a work session that will take attendees on a practical walk-through of the implementation.

10:30 - 12:00 GASB 87: Understanding and Implementing the New Lease Accounting Standard Leases

Matt Bone, Assurance Principal with CLA, will provide an overview of GASB 87 so that you have a more thorough understanding of the new lease standard and the related requirements to properly implement the standard at your organization including the reporting and disclosure requirements.

12:00 - 12:30 lunch break on your own; *chat room open*

12:30 - 2:30 Single Audit Grant Management and Compliance Best Practices with YellowBook Updates

During the Single Audit portion, presented by **Benjamin Martinez**, Manager with Carr, Riggs & Ingram, we will discuss single audit rules and the obligations and management responsibilities that they place on governments. We will also share some best practices that governments can apply to ensure they are staying compliant while tracking and managing their grants effectively. Partner A.J. Bowers will provide the YellowBook update.

2:30 - 4:00 CAREs Act Funding

Jane Tinker, Assurance Director with CLA, will provide an overview of the CAREs Act that was passed on March 27, 2020, including any relevant updates and guidance issued subsequent to the passage of the Act. She will discuss the identification of COVID-19 programs, COVID-19 funding and major program determination, COVID-19 and SEFA reporting and specifically the Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) program.

\$20 for AGA members
\$40 for non-members

To register, send attendees names, titles, entity, and email addresses to aga.abq.chapter@gmail.com with subject **Winter Series Registration** no later than December 17th. Please also note which attendees are AGA members. Invoices will be sent upon request, we can only accept check payments at this time. **6.5 hours of technical yellowbook CPE** will be provided to attendees.





Test 2 Exam Preparation Series

four half day seminars to teach all the concepts needed to understand the material for Test 2 of the CGFM Examination

Friday, February 5 1:00pm - 5:00pm	Test 2 - Section I – General Discussion of Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting in Government Section II - State and Local Financial Accounting and Reporting
Friday, February 12 1:00pm - 5:00pm	Test 2 - Section II - State and Local & Section III - Federal Financial Accounting and Reporting
Friday, February 19 1:00pm - 5:00pm	Test 2 - Section II - State and Local & Section III - Federal Financial Accounting and Reporting cont.
Friday, February 26 1:00pm - 5:00pm	Test 2 - Section III - Federal Financial Accounting and Reporting

The cost is \$100 for members and
\$125 for non-members for the **whole series**.

Classes will be held :

Via Zoom

Each class will provide 4 hours of CPE for a total
of 16 hours of technical CPE

**RSVP: ASAP by sending the attendees name(s) and email
address to Jennifer Baca at jennifern.baca@state.nm.us**



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AGA ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

Announcing our 2020-2021 CEC Roster

Below is the listing of your AGA Albuquerque Chapter Executive Committee. CEC meetings are held virtually the first Tuesday of every month beginning at 5:30 pm. If you'd like to attend, please email one of the officers below.

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