

Our Mission

The Albuquerque Chapter serves professionals in the government financial management community by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance government accountability

Our Vision

To train and inform government financial professionals in the fields of accounting, auditing, budgeting, systems and financial management.

To contribute to the advancement of financial management principles and standards and to improve management control and accountability to the public.

To recognize the unique skills and knowledge required of professionals who specialize in government financial management by sponsoring a professional certification program.



Alan D. "A.J." Bowers Jr
Albuquerque Chapter President

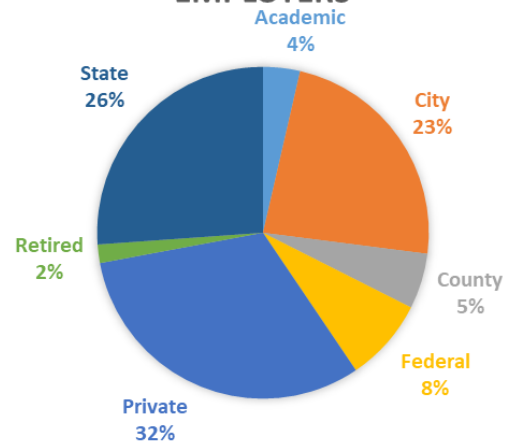
We ended the year with 111 members, our demographics have not changed much over the years. The majority of our membership are with private employers, followed by state and city government. Albuquerque has a number of CPA firms that are active in AGA; state agencies and the City of Albuquerque also have a strong presence in AGA. The chapter's responsibility areas reflect the trend in other AGA chapters, the traditional accountants and other related fields.

Our chapter President Alan D. "A.J." Bowers Jr. is grateful to the chapter executive committee for their hard work and commitment to AGA during this time of virtual events and now hybrid events. A.J. also thanks our members for their patience and flexibility.

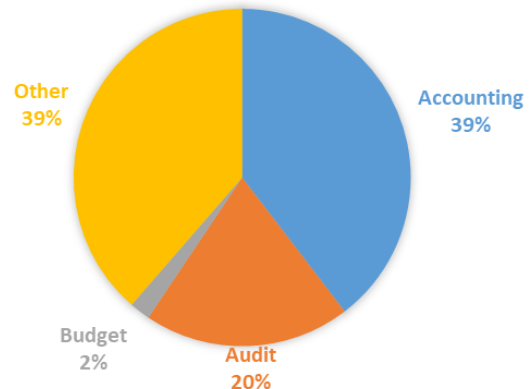
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EMPLOYERS



RESPONSIBILITY AREA



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Key Performance Areas



Objective	2022 Actual			Totals	2023 Goal
	Tier 1 100 points	Tier 2 300 points	Tier 3 500 points		
Membership			500	500	500
Training Events		300		300	500
Meeting Attendance	100			100	300
Meeting Satisfaction	100			100	300
CGFM - Candidate Support	0			0	500
Communications		300		300	400
Community Service	100			100	500
Leadership	100			100	300
Total	<u>400</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>1500</u>	<u>3300</u>

Achievement in Chapter Excellence Awards (ACE)

The key performance areas of the ACE awards are grouped into six categories: membership, education, certification, communications, community service, and leadership. Each of the six areas can be achieved at one of three levels, and points are awarded according to the tier the chapter reached. Some areas require goal-setting, while others are based on activities. The point structure does not penalize chapters, but rather rewards those working hard to meet or exceed annual goals, regardless of chapter size.

Prior to 2022 the Albuquerque Chapter had a long streak of receiving Platinum Awards. Like many, we struggled in some key performance areas during the pandemic and received a Bronze Award in 2022. In addition, we did not report all of our accomplishments in the 2022 Actuals for the ACE Awards. For example, the Chapter provides Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) study materials and exam reimbursement through our “You Pass, We Pay” program. Additionally, the Chapter did hold more than one Community Service event and also contributed to the National Professional Development Training (PDT) National Community Service Fund (NCSF).

Plans for next year include inviting employer groups, such as City of Albuquerque or state agencies located in Albuquerque, to our monthly trainings. We are also planning a CGFM overview session at the City of Albuquerque for Spring 2023. Finally, we will have more members of the CEC involved in reporting or reviewing for the ACE awards.



Mari Hughes, President-Elect for the Albuquerque Chapter receiving the Bronze in Anaheim

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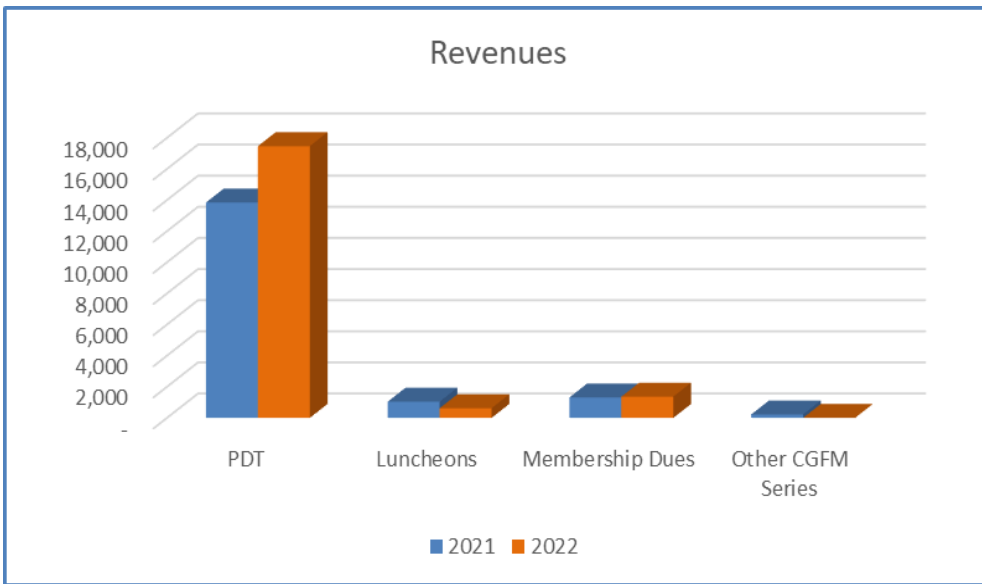
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AGA Chapter Finances

Albuquerque Chapter

The largest source of revenues and expenses for the Chapter is the joint PDT with the New Mexico Chapter. The chapters worked many hours to plan the first hybrid PDT held in May 2022. More than 120 attended either in-person or virtually to receive 16 hours of CPE. The revenues and expenses for 2021 and 2022 are estimates; the New Mexico Chapter is working to reconcile and provide final amounts as of October 2022.



The Chapter also provided training luncheons, which were provided free to members and at a cost of \$10 to non-members. One of the challenges of the chapter is to encourage more members to undertake the challenge of becoming a CGFM. We offer up to \$500 to those that pass the CGFM exam series.



The chapter was able to send four CEC members to the National PDT.



Beach Scene at the National PDT in Anaheim

The Albuquerque Chapter Executive Committee reviews the monthly financial statements

Looking to Next Year!

The Chapter ended the program year on a happy note with a bronze chapter award but the current program year brings many challenges. Our goals for the 2022-2023 program year are as follows:

Goal 1: To provide a quality joint PDT with the New Mexico chapter. Last program year was our first hybrid event, and we experienced some difficulties with audio for virtual attendees. During the planning phase, the chapters will need to decide if the event will again be hybrid and, if so, how to improve the experience for virtual attendees.

Goal 2: To revive the CGFM program. Three years ago the chapter had eight new CGFMs. We have not had a new CGFM for the past two years. We plan to target specific employers that may have a group that could study and take the CGFM exams together.

Goal 3: To attract new members to AGA. Prior to the pandemic monthly training sessions were held at employer locations, such as the City of Albuquerque. For that specific event, an invitation was sent to all fiscal staff at the City. We believe returning to these types of events may also boost interest in the CGFM program.

Goal 4: Leverage the convenience of virtual training. Members enjoy being able to receive quality CPE from the convenience of anywhere. This goal should be achieved while striking a balance with in-person events so that the much needed networking opportunities that AGA offers are still available.



*AGA members
enjoying a baseball game.*

We meet the first Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm.

Contact us at aga.abq.chapter@gmail.com to get involved in AGA Albuquerque!

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC)

President	<i>Alan D. "AJ" Bowers, Jr., CPA, CITP</i>
President-Elect	<i>Mari Hughes, CGFM Macc</i>
Treasurer	<i>Pam Fanelli, CGFM, CMA</i>
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Accountability	<i>Donna Sandoval, CGFM, CISA, CISM</i>
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Webmaster	<i>Heather Prudhomme, CPA, CGFM, CGMA</i>
Newletter	<i>Kory Hoggan, CPA, CIA</i>
CGFM	<i>Jennifer Baca, CGFM, CFE</i>
Community Service	<i>Matt Bone, CGFM, CPA</i>
Membership	<i>Krista Ganes-Chavez</i>
Historian	<i>Sarah Specht, CPA, CFE, CGFM</i>
Education	<i>Emily Wilson, CPA, CFE</i>
Student	<i>Marisa Maestas</i>



2022 Albuquerque and New Mexico PDT

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