

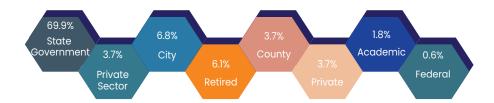


Our mission begins with **education**: offering professional certification and development, leadership and networking opportunities, and abilities to strengthen the profession and community.



Our vision is to create **leaders**, distinguished by professionalism and commitment to service, who promote accountability, efficiency, effectiveness, and transparency in government.





CITIZEN-CENTRIC REPORT

CHAPTER GOALS

- Increase chapter membership, attendance, and involvement
- Make CGFM the preferred professional designation in governmental accounting
- Maintain an effective and transparent governance structure
- Provide CPE opportunities for members, share resources to maintain professional certification
- Communicate chapter activities, programs, and benefits
- Issue regular reports on chapter finances to accurately and transparently account for funds
- Promote community service by members and raise awareness of governmental accounting among college and university students
- Promote early career membership and participation in chapter activities
- Expand issuance of Citizen Centric Reports

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About Us

The AGA Central Kentucky Chapter (Chapter) celebrated its 46th anniversary in June 2024. Our mission is to serve professionals in the government financial community by providing quality continuing education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance governmental accountability. To accomplish our mission this year, the Central Kentucky Chapter provided educational opportunities to our members and other professionals in the accountability community through monthly Chapter meetings and training sessions in the fall, winter, and spring.

In addition, the Chapter works to help members prepare to take the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) exam by providing a facilitator and study materials. As most members work in state and local government, our Chapter seeks to provide affordable programs to meet their specific needs. Chapter leadership actively requests input from members and other governmental financial managers regarding their educational needs.

CHAPTER OBJECTIVE

Serving the Commonwealth's government accountability professionals by providing quality education and promoting professional development and professional certification.

Opportunities to attain CPEs included:

- · Virtual monthly meetings offering 1.0 hour of CPE each
- Fall Professional Development Training (PDT)
- Winter PDT offering 5.0 CPE hours

EDUCATION AND PROGRAMS

The Chapter awarded 36.0 total hours of continuing professional education (CPE) to around 800 members and guests during fiscal year 2024.

Operations & Membership

The CEC meets monthly to conduct Chapter business and plan educational events.

The Chapter membership includes governmental professionals from all levels of local, state, and federal government. Other members work in non-profit organizations, private entities, and academia.

About 70% of our members are employed by state government; 10% by city, county, and federal governments; and 4% by the private sector. Our remaining membership is composed of individuals from academic institutions as well as retirees.

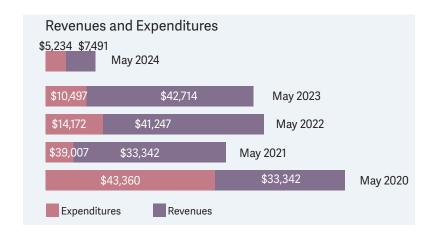
Numerous private sector employers have contracts to perform accounting, auditing, or consulting work for various government entities. These organizations encourage employees to join AGA to ensure they become knowledgeable about governmental accounting and its changing environment while maintaining professional credentials.

Finances

During fiscal year 2024, the Chapter's financial position remained strong. Cash reserves were \$34,474 on May 31, 2024, an increase of \$2,257 from May 31, 2023. Our revenues are derived from meeting-related training events and \$5 annual Chapter dues. The CEC sets monthly meeting fees for AGA members under cost to encourage attendance.

Meeting expenses include costs for virtual speaker fees, charitable donations to thank speakers, and a donation to the AGA Chapter Challenge. Other expenses are those necessary for the operation of the Chapter.

Each month, the CEC reviews the financial statements, which are then published in the Chapter newsletter. To ensure accountability of Chapter funds, representatives from the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority performed an audit of our Chapter in September 2024. According to the audit, the accuracy of the Chapter's fiscal year end bank reconciliation was verified and the general fund balances were confirmed. The audit was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).





Community Service

Our Chapter is active in serving the community. The Chapter's strong financial position enabled us to donate to multiple charities chosen by each speaker to help enhance community service efforts.







Certified Government Financial Manager

AGA offers a certification tailored to the governmental environment: Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM). Information about CGFM certification can be found at www.agacgfm.org/cgfm.

The Central Kentucky Chapter supports members seeking to earn CGFM certification. The Chapter has an active study group that helps participants prepare for exams and encourages them to stay on course. The Chapter owns and provides current study guides to participants to assist their efforts. We also support the CGFM program by providing notice of training relevant to the CGFM examination content.



As of October 2024, 20 of the Chapter's members hold the CGFM certification, with a goal of adding up to 10 more new certification candidates this year.

Looking Forward

The Central Kentucky Chapter is excited about its new lineup of trainings and in-person networking opportunities planned for this year. After several years of webinar-only interactions, we're looking forward to adding to our monthly webinars at least one in-person CPE opportunity each quarter, along with a quarterly in-person networking event scheduled in offsetting months. We're also looking forward to networking with other AGA chapters in the Cincinnati and Central/Southern Ohio area.

Acknowledgements

Thank you for taking the time to read this report. Our Chapter is providing this Citizen-Centric Report to model transparency and to help encourage Kentucky governments to participate in this initiative for promoting excellence in financial reporting. We hope this report has provided insight into how our Chapter operates, our accomplishments in Fiscal Year 2024, and our challenges going forward. We welcome your feedback on how to do this more effectively.

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