

Charleston Chapter

A 2021 Report to Our Membership

Our Chapter

The Charleston Chapter is located in West Virginia's Capital City of Charleston. Charleston's Association of Government Accountants chapter serves federal, state and local employees working in areas of accounting, auditing, budgets, finance, economics, internal control, and public administration in Charleston and the surrounding area. We also encourage membership from private sector employees working in government environments or who have government clients. Students interested in pursuing a career in government financial management are encouraged to attend chapter events and consider a student membership.

Membership

	2021	2020	2019
Number of Current Members	77	66	54
Overall Membership Retention Rate	95%	94%	82%
Number of New Members	15	48	10
Members with CGFM	13	13	12

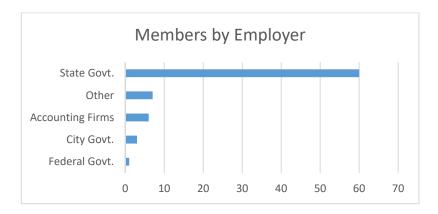


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Mission

AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability – a government's obligation to the people for its actions and use of resources.

Vision

Promote the advancement of government accountability.

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Our Purpose

AGA and our Chapter are dedicated to the professional development and advancement of the government financial management profession. The Charleston Chapter provides educational opportunities to promote the professional development of its members, and support the use of government financial management practices, policies, and promoting the financial management profession.



What We've Done

Goals Update

Goal	Result		
Hold an executive committee meeting monthly	12 meetings held in 2021		
Offer Members 19 CPE hours for CGFMs and CPAs	Offered 20 CPE Hours – Virtually!		
Speak to a College/University Class about AGA & government career opportunities	Spoke to the Student Accounting Society at the University of Charleston on April 15, 2021 – Virtually!		

Community Service



We participated in the WV Strong Running Fall Challenge September 14, 2020 to December 21, 2020. The Kickin' Assets team members completed a 210 or 460 mile walk/run. The 210 mile virtual challenge started in Williamson, WV and ended in the Monongahela National Forest. The 460 mile virtual challenge also started in Williamson and ended in Harpers Ferry, WV.

We collected hygiene items and prepare Easter boxes for the Children's Home Society of West Virginia. The mission of the Children's Home Society is to promote the wellbeing of children by helping children find lifetime families, protect and nurture children and help preserve and strengthen families.





Our Finances

What were the costs for servicing the membership and how were those costs paid?

The Charleston Chapter is a non-profit organization operating solely on funds raised or donated through various functions. For fiscal year 2022, the Charleston Chapter plans to continue funding its activities through fees for educational programs and working to obtain sponsors for various events throughout the year.

Revenues continued to decrease in 2021 as we were not able to have in-person spring and fall training events. The cost of having a virtual training event is far less than the cost of an in-person training event, therefore the cost to attend the training was dropped. The revenues for 2019 reflect two in-person events. The revenues for 2020 reflect one in-person event prior to the pandemic and one virtual event. The 2021 revenues reflect two virtual events. Membership fees are on the rise due to our increasing membership. With the pandemic CPE luncheons also were held virtually and the cost was also dropped. The costs associated with the spring and fall training events declined in 2021 as both events went virtual in response to the pandemic. Donations were decreased as the amount of funds collected decreased. CGFM reimbursements increased this year as more people from the study group passed parts of the exam.

Revenue by Source



Source	2021	2020	2019
Spring & Fall Training Events	\$5,001	\$12,278	\$19,554
Sponsorships	-	-	2,091
Membership Fees	981	752	480
CPE Luncheons	97	1,691	2,331
Total Chapter revenues	\$6,079	\$14,721	\$24,456

Expenditures



Costs	2021	2020	2019
Spring & Fall Training Event	\$3,060	\$13,100	\$24,073
Donations	100	200	1,936
CPE Luncheons	-	1,133	885
Registration Fees, PDT	500	2,129	2,242
CGFM Reimbursement	625	250	875
Postage & Other	1,261	846	889
Total Chapter expenditures	\$5,544	\$17,658	\$30,900



What's Next?

Plans for 2022

2021 Chapter Board

- ➤ Betsy Chapman, CGFM President, CGFM/Professional Certification
- ➤ Jane Caswell, CGFM President Elect, Web Page
- Angela Leshon, CGFM Secretary, Historian
- ➤ Jamie Chambers, MSA, CIA, CGFM, CGAP Treasurer
- ➤ Emily Fleck, CPA, CGFM –Programs & Education
- Roger Townsend, CGFM Programs & Education; NCC
- Melissa Mullins, CPA -Communication
- ➤ Beth Farley, CPA -Community Service
- Terry Harless, CPA -Membership
- Cheri Harpold, CGFM -Chapter Recognition
- Eric Wagner Chapter Recognition
- Samantha Chapman, CGFM -Newsletter
- Marie Long, Accountability Outreach
- Taylor Cole, Young Professionals

We want to see you!

Our next luncheon is scheduled for November 10, 2021 at the DNR Offices in South Charleston. It has been a while since we have all gotten together. This will be a great time to catch up and learn something new.

The Charleston Chapter sets a goal every year to provide quality CPE for its members. We have adjusted to the new virtual world but are looking forward to the spring conference when we can be together again. Be on the lookout for more information.



We want you to be a CGFM!

So we are holding a study group to help you pass those exams.

For more information regarding the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) Program, go to:

http://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/overview.aspx

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