

About AGA

The Association of Government Accountants is the premier association for advancing government accountability by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance government accountability. AGA is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation that was established in 1950 and currently has over 14,000 members in 96 chapters worldwide including Federal, State, and local government, private sector, academia, and non-profit business professionals.

East Tennessee Chapter

Our chapter received its charter in 1968 and is a part of the Southeast Region of AGA. We serve the government financial management community surrounding Knoxville, TN and support the AGA's core values of service, accountability, integrity, and leadership by offering multiple opportunities for continuing education and service to others in our communities.

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AGA's Mission Statement

AGA is a professional association advancing accountability, transparency and leadership by promoting education, certification, innovation and collaboration across all levels of government and to stakeholders.



FY 2019-2020 Accomplishments

Chapter Awards

Received Platinum Chapter Recognition Award for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020



Our 2018-2019 Chapter President, Alicia Reed, receiving our chapter's platinum award at PDT 2019 in New Orleans, LA



Chapter Recognition Program:
Platinum Level (19,501+ credits)

- Albuquerque
- Atlanta
- Baltimore
- Baton Rouge
- Boston
- Central Indiana
- Central Kentucky
- Central Ohio
- Charleston, WV
- Chicago
- Des Moines
- East Tennessee
- Greater Columbus
- Guam
- Hawai'i
- Idaho Centennial

#PDT20

Our 2019-2020 chapter's platinum award was presented at the PDT 2020 Awards Ceremony, held online

2019 - 2020 Highlights

Provided the opportunity for up to 21 hours of CPE

Provided three community service opportunities assisting the homeless population and families of hospitalized patients in the Knoxville area, as well as contributing to the Educational and Memorial Foundation.

Education

Our chapter held six monthly luncheon meetings with a variety of live speakers, providing five hours of continuing professional education (CPE) to an average of 25 attendees each month. In addition, the chapter hosted a two-day professional development training, which provided 16 hours of CPE to approximately 55 attendees. Unfortunately due to COVID-19, the April and May 2020 meetings were canceled. We also promoted the CGFM certification in our monthly newsletters and meetings.

Community Service

Our chapter hosted Bruce Spangler from the Volunteer Ministry Center (VMC) which serves the homeless population in the Knoxville area as our speaker for the December meeting. The chapter also made donations in the amount of \$1,000 to VMC, \$500 to the Knoxville Dream Center and \$2,297 to the Educational & Memorial Foundation as well as collected toiletry items throughout the year to donate to the Ronald McDonald House.

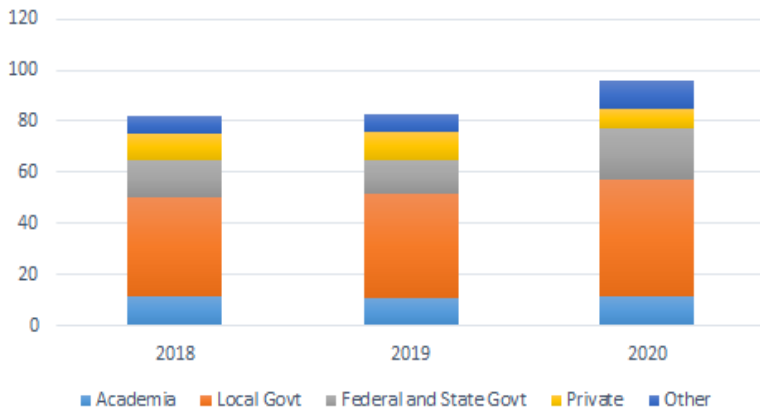
Leadership

The chapter has an ongoing commitment to foster leadership and provide opportunities to grow in this capacity. Members are encouraged to join our Chapter Executive Committee and help with the leadership of our chapter. Also, three members attended the AGA LEAD! Leadership Meeting in Baltimore, MD, and three members attended the AGA Professional Development Training (PDT) in New Orleans, LA. Additionally, our National Council of Chapters (NCC) Representative for 2019-2020, Amy Paganelli, attended quarterly NCC meetings.

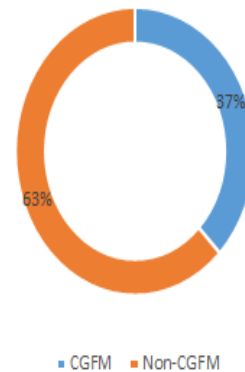
Membership

As of May 31, 2020, our chapter had a total of 96 members. 32 of our members hold the CGFM designation, with three of those being in a retired status. Our chapter also had five new members join in the 2019-2020 program year.

Members by Employment Type



Members by CGFM Certification

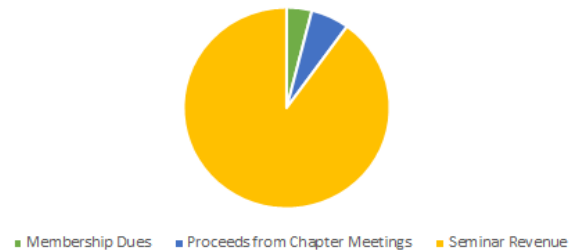


Financial Information

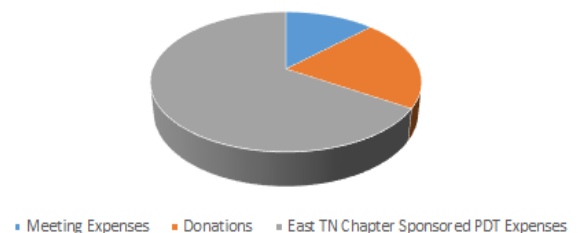
The financial statements as of May 31, 2020

Receipts:		
Membership Dues	\$	815.00
Chapter Meetings		1,240.00
PDT		18,592.50
Total Receipts	\$	20,647.50
Disbursements:		
Chapter Meetings	\$	2,277.27
Donations		3,797.00
East TN Chapter Sponsored PDT		11,841.40
Total Disbursements	\$	17,915.67
Receipts in Excess of Disbursements Cash	\$	2,731.83
Balance, Beginning of Year (6/1/19) Cash		14,030.56
Balance, End of Year (5/31/20)	\$	16,762.39

Receipts



Disbursements



What's Next?

Goals for 2020-2021

- 1) Grow our base membership by at least 2% but strive to meet 10% growth.
- 2) Achieve 80% membership satisfaction as represented in a survey.
- 3) Hold 1 conference and 8 monthly meetings (with at least 5 providing CPE opportunities).
- 4) Have an average of 30 members attend monthly meetings and 50 attendees at the Fall conference.
- 5) Average a rating of 4 out of 5 on conference and meeting surveys.
- 6) Support CGFM candidates by including study questions, encouragement, technical requirements, information on upcoming virtual review sessions, a tip of the month, etc. in the monthly chapter newsletters.
- 7) Retain 80% of CGFMs registered.
- 8) Maintain an updated website and consistently issue a newsletter so members and interested parties may keep up to date on Chapter events.
- 9) Establish a social media presence and create a plan for regular updates.
- 10) Host a community service fundraising campaign for the Fish Hospitality Pantry and support the PDT 2020 NCSF Fundraiser.
- 11) Recruit a young professional to serve on the Chapter Executive Council/Board for the 2021-2022 program year.
- 12) Recruit one new student member.



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

<http://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx>

Chapter Officers 2020-2021

President:	Astra Cope
President-Elect/ Education:	Amelia Hart
Past President:	Chris Simons
Treasurer:	Connie Cook
Secretary:	Gail Cook
Historian:	Amy Paganelli
Awards:	Ginger Giffin
Membership:	Robin Shelton
CGFM:	Karen McKee
Accountability:	Mary McDonald
Community Service:	Thaddeus Grace
Early Careers:	Perry Benshoof
Newsletter Editor:	Deborah Strahler
Research/NCC Representative:	Larry Elmore
Chapter Recognition/ Meetings:	Patti Rebholz
Webmaster:	Alicia Reed

We would like to hear from you

Please let us know if you have any questions or additional information you would like to see in this report. We invite you to email us at acope@kpmg.com

More information is available on the chapter website at:

<http://www.agacgfm.org/easttennessee>