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The Association of Government Accountants (AGA), founded in 1950, is the professional membership organization focused on advancing government accountability. AGA is recognized nationally as the only association that supports nearly 14,000 members made up of professionals working in, for and with federal, state, local and tribal agencies. AGA is organized into 14 regions and has over 100 organized chapters.

Central Arkansas Chapter

The Central Arkansas Chapter with approximately 160 members is currently the largest chapter in the South-Central Region. The Chapter was organized in 1977 by Mr. Orvel M. Johnson who served as the first chapter president. With more than 40 years of experience, the Central Arkansas Chapter continues to promote the AGA's national strategic goals by serving the government financial management community in the following ways:

- Promoting government accountability, transparency and performance
- Keeping members abreast of industry updates
- Offering scholarships and leadership opportunities
- Participating in several charity events and raising funds for worthy causes
- Hosting social events for networking opportunities

Vision

AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability.

Mission

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.

Core Values

- Service
- Accountability
- Integrity
- Leadership

Website

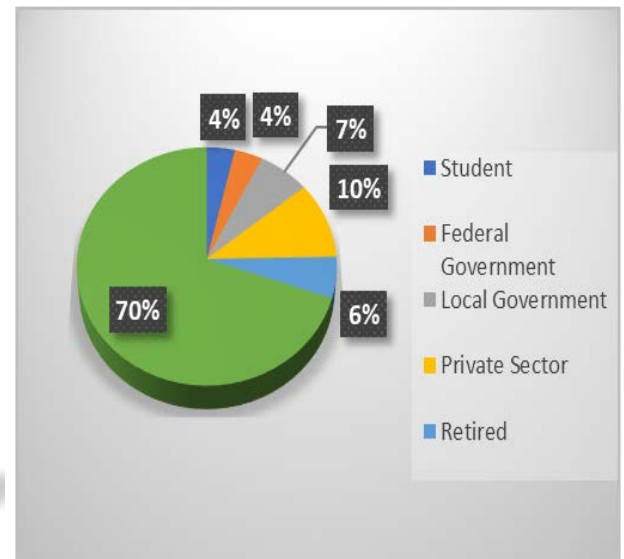
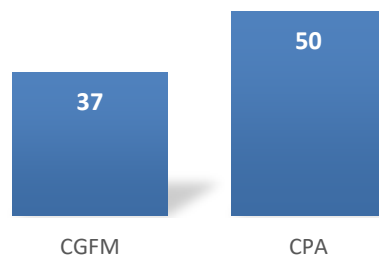
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AGA Central Arkansas Chapter

Who Are We?

The Central Arkansas Chapter currently has 162 members and is one of the 25 largest chapters in the country. The majority of our members are State employees (70%). We also have members from the Private Sector (10.5%), Federal Government (3.7%), Local Government (6.8%), Students (3.7%) and Retirees (5.6%). AGA members range from elected officials and senior executives to entry-level employees. Of our current membership, 22% are CGFM certified and 31% are CPA certified.



Performance

Program Year 2020-2021

Community Service

The Central Arkansas Chapter continues to actively participate in many community service events and collects contributions and raffles for various causes. The Central Arkansas Chapter participated in the following events:

- Adopt a Street
- Coat Drive
- Soctober with THE VAN
- Various other events



Adopt a Street and volunteer clean ups



AGA January Coat Drive



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Challenges Ahead

“Remember, no one can do everything, but everyone can do something” Tyler Cain, CAAGA President 2021. Each AGA member is tasked with maximizing each member’s value to our AGA Chapter. Through this process, we hope to increase our members and member participation.

Another goal of our Chapter is to serve as a catalyst for innovation and leadership through the COVID-19 crisis. Our AGA Chapter hopes to continue to educate and empower professionals in advancing government accountability even in the most uncertain times.

Service

Integrity

Accountability

Leadership

Chapter Revenue

Sources	2021	2020	2019
Seminars	-	\$6,687	\$4,635
Sponsorships	-	0	6
Membership Dues	890	1,659	1,950
Banquets	0	610	830
Miscellaneous	25	0	12
Total	\$915	\$8,956	\$7,433

Revenue decreased due to moving our events to virtual events. The chapter had a two-day spring seminar which was free to members, this was done due to the hardship of COVID-19 Pandemic.



Highest Overall Growth Award Group B July 2021

Chapter Expenses

Expenses	2021	2020	2019
Banquets/Awards	\$0	\$1,097	\$4,693
Conferences	-	-	1,909
Administration	248	784	906
Seminars	0	9,074	3,343
Scholarships	-	-	-
Community Service	125	130	346
Website	-	-	-
Total	\$373	\$11,085	\$11,197

Expenses were decreased due to social distancing and virtual meetings and virtual PDC. Also, the chapter award expenses were paid in July 2021 instead of June 2021.



Gerald Plafcan received the Financial Manager of the Year award. Gerald also retired on June 30 after 35 years of public service, working for the state of Arkansas.

Independent Audit An independent review was completed for FY 2020 and 2021. Completed financial information may be found on our website at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/CentralArkansas/Home.aspx> or by contacting the Chapter Treasurer, at dfacen@littlerock.gov

National Awards Our chapter received two awards this past July during the PDC in Nashville, Tennessee. The first is the Highest Overall Growth Award Group B (Medium size chapters) and Gold Level ACE award. Special thanks to Tyler Cain and the CEC leadership team and everyone in the chapter for earning these awards.

Future Outlook

Upcoming Events

The Central Arkansas Chapter strives to contribute to the community as well as to its members. Annually the Chapter sponsors an accounting scholarship at local universities, provides educational opportunities to its members with two days of seminars, and supports worthy community service projects. The annual awards banquet is held each June to honor the Financial Manager of the Year and chapter members who have made significant contributions during the year. In December, the holidays are celebrated with a social event. Note this year some events may be postpone or moved to a virtual event do to Covid -19 Pandemic.

Some of our upcoming events are as follows:

Monthly membership meetings held the third Monday of each month which are currently are virtual meetings.

- Street cleanup on October 16, 2021
- Ushering at War Memorial Stadium on October 23, 2021

CGFM

The foundation of the CGFM is the requirement for Education, Experience and Examination. Building on this foundation is a Code of Ethics and required Continuing Professional Education (CPE). This designation is already recognized as a professional standard. Each year, more and more federal agencies and state and local governments are realizing the value of the CGFM and are formally embracing the designation. It is often listed as a preferred hiring qualification on federal RFPs.



Get CGFM Certified Today!

The Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) is a professional certification awarded by AGA. It demonstrates competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial, reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels.

The Chapter will continue to offer CGFM scholarships each program year to aid in the cost of exam fees. The Chapter also plans to offer CGFM review courses to be presented by current CGFM members.

The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) Board of Regents has also recognized the CGFM. It is accepted as a waiver for part IV of the CIA examination.

The Chapter continues to encourage its members to pursue the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) designation. To accomplish this, the Chapter plans to obtain the governor's proclamation of March 2022 as CGFM month in the State of Arkansas and the mayor's proclamation of March 2022 as CGFM month in the City of Little Rock. The Chapter also plans to offer study sessions for this designation in 2021-2022.

Do you like this report? How do you think it could be improved? Provide your feedback to the President, Donald Bellcock, at Donald.Bellcock@arkansas.gov

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