

Who Are We?

About AGA

AGA was founded as the Federal Government Accountants Association (FGAA) by Robert W. King and a group of federal government accountants on Sept. 14, 1950. AGA expanded in 1975 to include state and local government finance professionals. At that time, the organization's name was changed to the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). In 2022 the organization's name was changed to AGA.

About the AGA Baltimore Chapter

Robert King showed an interest in forming a Baltimore chapter in March 1957. The chapter was officially chartered as the 28th chapter in April-May 1958, with 40 members. Joseph F. Giza served as the first president.

Our Mission

AGA Baltimore is a professional association advancing accountability, transparency and leadership by promotion education, certification, innovation and collaboration across all levels of government and to stakeholders within the Greater Baltimore Area.

Our Vision

AGA Baltimore endeavors to be the premier association for advancing government accountability within the Greater Baltimore Area.

Our Values

AGA's core values include Service, Accountability, Integrity and Leadership (SAIL).

How We Are Organized

The Baltimore Chapter of AGA is governed by a member-elected Chapter Executive Committee (CEC), which consists of our President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, and National Council of Chapters Representative. Our committees include Membership, Education & Meetings, CGFM/Professional Certification, Strategic Vision, Accountability, Activities, Awards, Bylaws & Procedures, and Sponsorship.

Our Strategic Goals

To provide professional training, education, networking, and career development opportunities for our Chapter members and our surrounding governmental financial community.

2022-2023 Demographic Snapshot **Employer Type** 183 Federal Who Are We?.... Private Member Type Number: Retired How Are We Member Type Count Doing?..... Student Government 109 Academic 3 Private 37 What Are The **Certifications** Revenues & CIA 11 Expenses?.. CFF 8 -Other 19 Student CGFM 82 What's Next?.....

2022-2023 Services & Activities

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From September 2022 through June 2023, we:

- Held 10 monthly virtual board meetings to plan events and vote on matters.
- Maintained our NASBA accreditation as a CPE sponsor.
- Held 3 monthly training sessions totaling 24 CPEs.
- Announced events via social media, emails, local website, and national website.
- Provided \$1000 Scholarships to five local college students
- Donated \$100 to the PDT National Community Service Fund and \$100 G&M gift card to the PDT Silent Auction. G&M is a local place in the Baltimore area known for their delicious crab cakes.

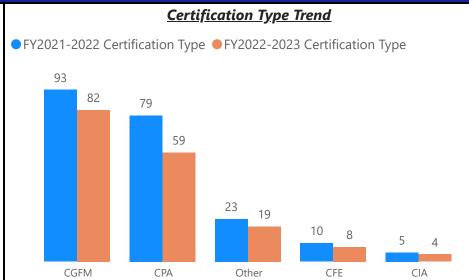
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How Are We Doing?

FY2021-2022 versus FY2022-2023 Key Service Areas, Performance & Tends





Progress Towards Strategic Goals

- We provided comprehensive professional training, education, and development opportunities for chapter members and the government financial community by hosting 3 monthly training sessions totaling 24 CPEs.
- In September 2022, we offered a full day course (8 CPEs) on Accounting and Auditing Updates with 8 speakers from FASAB, GASB, EY, Guidehouse and GAO.
- In February 2023, we offered another full day course on Emerging Trends, Tools, and Technology with 24 speakers from GAO, CPA Teaches LLC, KPMG, and the City of Baltimore.
- In May 2023, we held our all day CPE Fraud and Ethics conference at the Maritime Conference Center, with speakers from AICPA, EY, and the Office of the Inspector General for Baltimore City.

In addition to the trainings provided, throughout the year we continually promoted the value and importance of Chapter membership and professional certifications, including the CPA, CFE, CIA, and CGFM.

Recent Accomplishments for Non-Financial Outcomes

AGA Baltimore received the Certificate of Excellence in CCR for FY2022 to 2023!

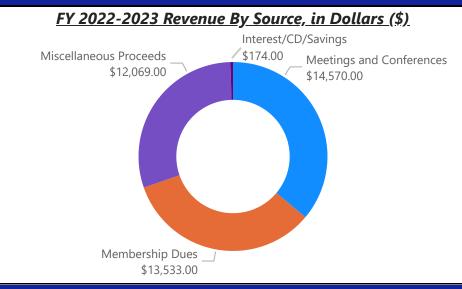




What Are The Revenues & Expenses?

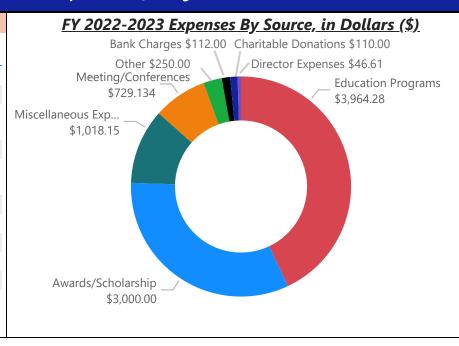
FY 2022-2023 Revenues - Trends & Explanation of Changes

Revenues by Source, Comparison				
Revenues	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023	
Meetings and Conferences	\$8,347.00	\$12,811.60	14,570.00	
Membership Dues	1,165.00	8,94.17	13,533.00	
Miscellaneous Proceeds	0.00	0.00	12,069.00	
Interest Checking/CDs/Savings	51.00	60.80	174.00	
CGFM Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Corporate Sponsorship	10,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	
Total	\$19,563.00	\$15,766.57	\$40,346.00	



FY 2022-2023 Expenses - Trends & Explanation of Changes

Expenses by Source, Comparison					
Expenses	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023		
Education Programs	\$7,020.00	\$ 795.00	\$3,964.28		
Awards/Scholarship	1,855.00	1,050.00	3,000.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00	0.00	1,018.15		
Meeting/Conferences	150.00	1,969.85	729.13		
Other (i.e Web, CGFM)	0.00	0.00	250.00		
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	112.00		
Charitable Donations	550.00	450.00	100.00		
Director Expenses	0.00	0.00	46.61		
Administrative	0.00	427.00	0.00		
Membership	0.00	209.88	0.00		
Total	\$9,575.00	\$ 4,901.73	\$9,220.17		



The financial data provided is for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and is presented on a cash basis. During the year, our revenues have exceeded our expenses, as a result of hosting more events in the virtual setting due to COVID-19 restrictions, with less money spent on meeting and conferences fees. Further, we've adapted to identifying free speakers within our sponsors and taking advantage of opportunities to partner with other professional organizations to host events.

Although we show a decrease in corporate sponsorship, in FY 2023-2024 we aim to increase our presence within our past sponsorship firms, including KPMG LLP, Grant Thornton LLP, and Kearney & Company, PC. We are also proactively seeking participation from EY and Guidehouse as sponsorships this coming fiscal year.

As we plan our training events for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, our goal is to ensure our events remain within our budget and our expenses do not exceed our revenues. We increased our scholarship awards during Fiscal Year 2022-2023 to benefit local college and university students in the Greater Baltimore area, and we plan a similar approach this year.

To demonstrate accountability for our chapter finances, the Treasurer submits monthly reports to the CEC, who then submits our yearly revenues and expenses for a review by another AGA Chapter. For the review of our Fiscal Year 2022-2023 financial information, the AGA Dallas Chapter is currently conducting this review and it has not yet been completed. Based on prior reviews done by the AGA Dallas chapter, we have received a clean evaluation with no issues or recommendations to be addressed.

Visit <u>AGA Baltimore Chapter (agacgfm.org)</u> for more information!

What's Next?

Challenges & Priorities

Our current challenges include:

- Lack of communication with AGA National to learn and use all resources available to our local chapter
- Inadequate communications due to emails going to our local chapter members spam/junk/quarantine folders or changing jobs without updating their email addresses
- Inconsistent communication to members on the value of their AGA membership and CGFM
- Lack of outreach to keep sponsors engaged
- Low attendance at our virtual CPE trainings and strained resources to run CPE meetings
- Technological issues hosting virtual and hybrid meetings
- Lack of in-person networking and community service opportunities during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic
- Lack of involvement within colleges and universities to build the pipeline within AGA and the government industry
- Lack of engagement and commitment of our local chapter members, as well as our Chapter Executive Committee

To address these challenges, our primary goals for the 2023-2024 Program Year include:

- Enhance communication with AGA National
- Create an AGA Baltimore Chapter domain email (Our email is: info@agabaltimore.com)
- Provide alternative ways to offer great values to our members
- Enhance awareness of the benefits and importance of the CGFM designation
- Engage and increase AGA Baltimore Chapter sponsors
- Collaborate with other AGA chapters and professional organizations via multi-chapter events
- Shift from monthly trainings and offer three quarterly CPE training sessions
- Streamline our CPE certification process through the shift from Go-to-Meetings Webinar to Zoom

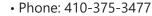
Changes in priorities:

• Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we were unable to host many of our in-person events. Therefore, a priority this year will be to safely re-engage our in-person initiatives as the workforce has moved to more in-person and hybrid events. Additionally, to re-establish our personal contacts and connections with our colleges and universities through presence at on-campus events and community service.

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Useful Links & Upcoming Events

Our upcoming events include:

- Happy Helpers community service event on 11/18/2023
- CPE session on Emerging Trends, Tools, and Technologies in February 2024 (virtual)
- Fraud and Ethics Training at Maritime Institute on May 15, 2024 (in-person)

Visit <u>AGA Baltimore Chapter (agacgfm.org)</u> for more information on our Chapter! We want to hear from you! How do you like our report? Should it include other information? Please let us know at info@agabaltimore.org. Don't forget to follow us on social media!!!

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