



# AGA Organization, Initiatives, Programs and Activities

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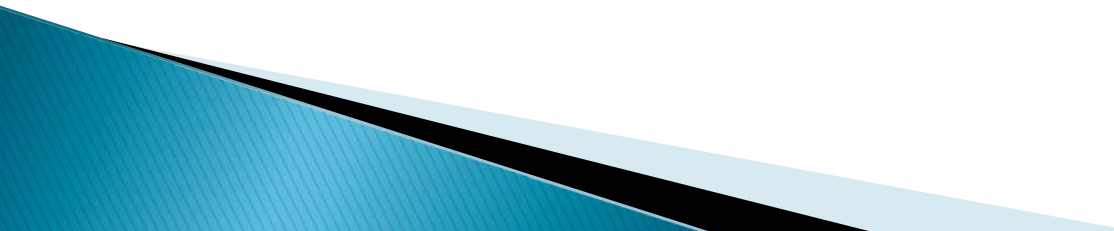
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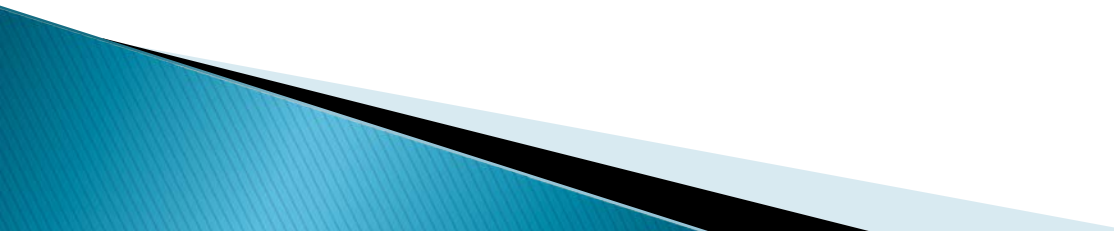
# Association of Government Accountants

*The Place to Be to Learn and Develop Leadership*


# AGA History

- ▶ Formed in 1950 by Federal Accountants
  - ▶ Federal Government Accountants Association
  - ▶ 1975 -Association of Government Accountants
  - ▶ 64 Years Old -I've been member 49 of them
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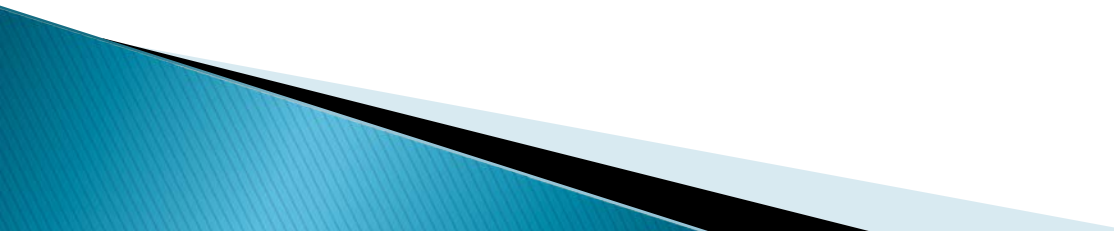
# Executive Director

- ▶ Director manages day to day operations
  - ▶ New Executive Director coming
  - ▶ Van raised AGA's influence and prestige
  - ▶ Set the stage for AGA to be a go-to place
  - ▶ “If not us then who, if not now then when”
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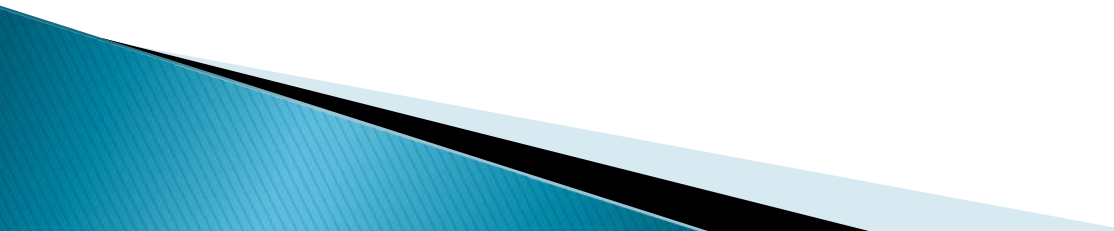
# Desired Attributes Used

- ▶ Proven transformational leadership qualities
  - ▶ Demonstrated knowledge and experience with non-profit membership based orgs
  - ▶ Demonstrated success leading complex organizations
  - ▶ Accomplished in designing & implementing strategies to leverage technology
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# Desired Attributes Used

- ▶ Knowledge of non-profit financial mgt.
  - ▶ Knowledge of government financial mgt.
  - ▶ Ability to manage multi-million \$ budgets
  - ▶ Demonstrated track record in marketing and building strategic partnerships
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# Desired Attributes Used

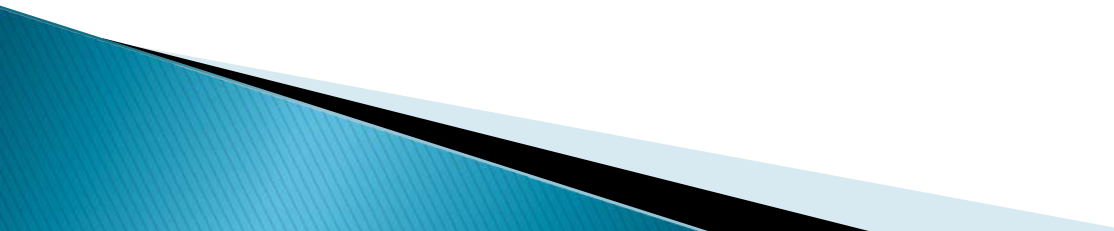
- ▶ Highly organized and motivated
  - ▶ Excellent oral and written communication
  - ▶ Collaborate with volunteer leadership and partner with our public and private sector colleagues
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# CGFM Program


- ▶ The credential for government activities—public and corporate
  - ▶ Recognizes the unique skills and special knowledge required of today's government financial managers
  - ▶ Covers governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls, and budgeting at the federal state and local levels
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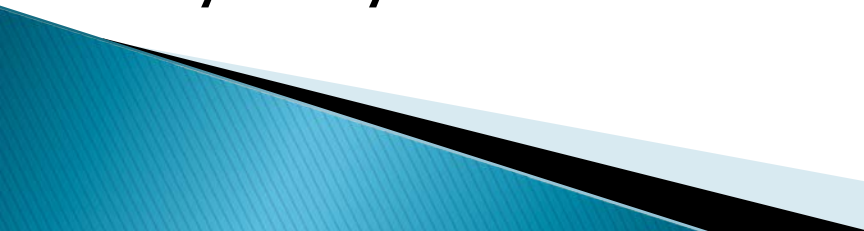
# Qualifications and Examination

- ▶ Bachelor's degree from accredited college or university
  - ▶ Pass three comprehensive CGFM exams
  - ▶ Two years professional level experience in governmental financial management
  - ▶ Continuing education after certification
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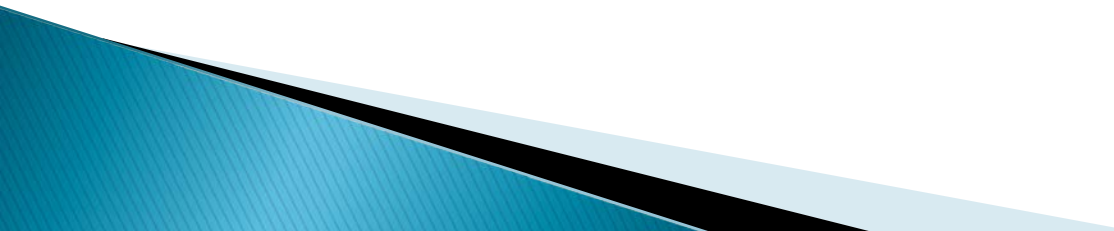
# Why is the CGFM Important?

- ▶ As with most certifications it is testimony to your personal competence
  - ▶ It is specialized to the field of government finance
  - ▶ Certification leads to bigger and better things.
  - ▶ It sends a signal for future employers
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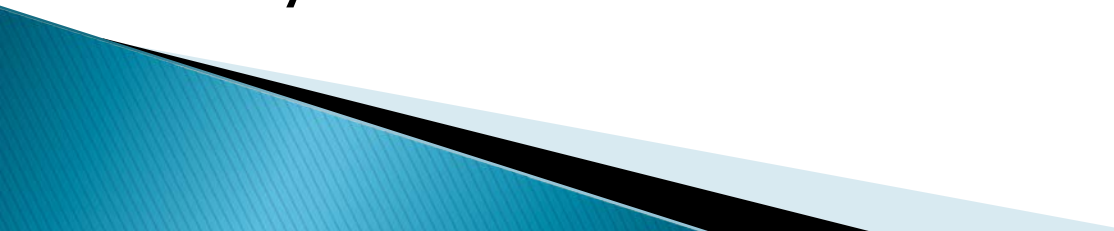
# Why is the CGFM Important

- ▶ Job searches become easier because employers are looking for the best candidate
  - ▶ The study program is an orientation to aspects of government financial management that you may not be aware of, thus improving your employability
  - ▶ There are over 16,000 CGFMs and growing yearly
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# CGFM Aides

- ▶ National has study guides
  - ▶ National has training programs
  - ▶ National can assist chapters in obtaining training and testing
  - ▶ Regions can establish cooperative training
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# Thought Leadership

- ▶ AGA is known for advancing public awareness and taking bold initiatives
  - ▶ The citizen centric reporting initiative has brought government closer to the constituency.
  - ▶ Started at chapter level and has moved to Federal, state and local level. Growing every day
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# Thought Leadership

- ▶ Research program used to develop tools for financial managers.
  - ▶ Done in consonance with our corporate partners
  - ▶ 58 research reports are in inventory now
  - ▶ Topics–Reducing improper payments, IG survey, leveraging data analytics Fed Prgms.
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# Thought Leadership

- ▶ Tool kits to assist in program management
  - Risk assessment toolkit
  - Fraud prevention toolkit
  - Candidate assessment toolkit for Grants Mgrs
  - Cooperative Audit Resolution and Oversight Guide

# Straight Talk

- ▶ You don't succeed in anything without passion to achieve
  - ▶ You don't advance in career without improving your knowledge and skills
  - ▶ You can do it alone, or you can use well trained and experienced cadre of leaders
  - ▶ Meet AGA!
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