

Charleston Chapter

A 2022 Report to Our Membership

Our Chapter

The Charleston Chapter is located in West Virginia's Capital City of Charleston. Charleston's AGA 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

	2022	2021	2020		
Number of Current Members	75	77	66		
Overall Membership Retention Rate	85%	95%	94%		
Number of New Members	10	15	48		
Members with CGFM	17	13	13		



committed to advancing government

accountability - a government's obligation to the people for its actions and use of resources. Vision

AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders

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	
#1 Develop theme "Revive the Passion" for membership retention – increase communication with entire Chapter with monthly newsletter from President; Chapter-wide free "Meet & Greet"; Monthly meetings alternative with CPE luncheons; Nominate members for NLT and PDT awards; send out satisfaction survey to members	We were not successful with the monthly newsletters from the President and do to COVID restrictions we did not get to hold the "Meet & Greet" in March. We did hold monthly meetings with alternating CPE luncheons and we did send a satisfaction survey to our members. So we met pieces of this goal and will continue to make strides in communication with the membership.	
#2 Recruit New Members – Use State directories to identify new members and send them information detailing the benefits of AGA	We notified leadership of State agencies of upcoming events and CPE opportunities to show the benefits of AGA. We were unable to use the State directories.	
#3 Early Career Outreach – Contact sophomore advisors at schools prior to enrollments; participate in college job fairs; offer scholarships to Fall and Spring Conferences; Highlight AGA scholarship opportunities	We were unable to participate in the college job fairs as none were held due to COVID restrictions until FY2022. We did participate in it. We had a few board members right recommendations for scholarship candidates.	

We continue to work to make our Chapter better for our membership and provide them the benefits they need. Though we did not meet, all of our goals last year we were able to partially meet them all.

Community Service

We participated in the WV Strong Running Summer Challenge June 6th through September 14th 2022. The Goal Crushing Warriors team members completed a 222 or 435 mile walk/run.

We collected hygiene items 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 2023, 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 increased in 2022, as we were finally able to hold in-person spring and fall training events. The 2021 revenues reflect two virtual events. The revenues for 2020 reflect one in-person event prior to the pandemic and one virtual event. We were able to hold two in-person CPE luncheons in 2022 increasing revenues and expenses. Due to the pandemic CPE luncheons also were held virtually in 2021 at no cost. The cost of the fall training event was paid in 2020 for the spring 2020 event. Our reservation was held by the venue until we were able to hold in-person events. The costs associated with the spring and fall training events declined in 2021 as both events went virtual in response to the pandemic. Donations increased as the amount of funds collected increased. CGFM reimbursements increased in 2022 as more people from the study group passed parts of the exam and additional study materials were needed for larger study group classes.

Revenue by Source



Source	2022	2021	2020
Spring & Fall Training Events	\$13,663	\$5,001	\$12,278
Membership Fees	560	981	752
CPE Luncheons	532	97	1,691
Total Chapter revenues	\$14,755	\$6,079	\$14,721

Expenditures



Costs	2022	2021	2020
Spring & Fall Training Event	\$1,778	\$3,060	\$13,100
Donations	450	100	200
CPE Luncheons	467	-	1,133
Registration Fees, PDT	4,125	500	2,129
CGFM Reimbursement	4,346	625	250
Postage & Other	416	1,261	846
Total Chapter expenditures	\$11,582	\$5,544	\$17,658



What's Next?

Plans for 2022

We want to see you!

Our next luncheon is scheduled for January 2023. This will be a great time to catch up and learn something new – information will be coming soon to your inbox.

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!

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

or contact the Charleston AGA Chapter.

2022-23 Chapter Board

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