

About the Association of Government Accountants

The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) was founded on September 14, 1950 as the Federal Government Accountants Association (FGAA). In 1975, the Association expanded to include state and local government finance professionals. At that time, the organization’s name was changed to the Association of Government Accountants. In 2022, the organization's name was changed to AGA. Today, AGA has over 80 chapters across the United States and other countries, with over 11,000 members worldwide.

About the AGA – Chicago Chapter

The AGA Chicago Chapter was chartered in May 1953, making it one of AGA’s oldest chapters, and has a long and proud history. To find out more about the Chapter, please see our website at <https://www.agacgfm.org/chicago>.

Selected Chapter Demographics

Category	2020-2021	2021-2022
Total Members	77	74
Membership Type:		
Federal Government	26	29
Private Sector	11	9
State/Local Gov.	14	11
Academia	1	1
Student	8	8
Retired	17	16
CGFM	38	33

Chapter Strategic Objectives:

- Provide low-cost, quality professional education to our members
- Give back to the community
- Advance government accountability

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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.

Vision

AGA endeavors to be the premier association for advancing government accountability.

Core Values (SAIL)

AGA’s core values include Service, Accountability, Integrity, and Leadership.

How We Have Progressed

Chapter Year 2021-2022



2021-2022 Chapter Platinum Award

Chapter Awards

- Achieved platinum status in AGA’s Achievements in Chapter Excellence (ACE) Program.
- Created a chapter Member-Centric Report and earned the Citizen-Centric Reporting Recognition of Excellence.

Continuing Education

- Maintained State of Illinois accreditation as a CPE sponsor.
- Partnered with a local chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors to provide continuing professional education training.

Giving Back to the Community

- Made monetary donations to a local food depository and to AGA’s National Community Service Fund.
- Participated in the Ladder Up Tax Assistance Program.



Citizen-Centric Reporting Recognition of Excellence

During 2021-2022, the Chicago AGA chapter provided 22 hours of continuing professional education to hundreds of participants throughout the Chicagoland area. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic events were all held virtually. The educational events included AGA webinars provided at no cost to Chicago Chapter members. Additionally, the Chapter co-sponsored Fall into Training and Spring into Training events with the local chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors. The training events included a wide variety of topics such as government accounting, auditing, internal controls, fraud, ethics, and interpersonal communications.

The Chicago Chapter advertises its continuing educations seminars and conferences to both members and non-members in the government accountability community. Events are announced in the monthly Chapter newsletter and posted to the Chapter website. Additionally, events are also advertised through e-mail messages. The newsletter is distributed to all Chapter members, previous attendees from Chapter professional development conferences, and other selected AGA local chapters.

Selected Accomplishments

Number of Chapter Events Held	
2020-2021	2021-2022
7	7

Number of Events Co-Sponsored with Other Professional Organizations	
2020-2021	2021-2022
2	2

Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Hours Offered	
2020-2021	2021-2022
22	22

Our Finances

Revenues & Expenses

What are the costs for providing services to our members and how are those costs paid?

The financial data provided below is for chapter year 2021-2022 (July 1, 2021–June 30, 2022), during which time the chapter had a successful program year. Although the chapter may have a surplus in some years and a deficit in other years, the chapter’s goal over the long term is to break even while providing members with low-cost, quality professional services.

Revenue by Source

	Chapter Year 2019-2020	Chapter Year 2020-2021	Chapter Year 2021-2022
Registration Fees (PDT, Monthly Luncheons, Etc.)	\$4,540	\$0	\$0
Other (Chapter Member Dues, Etc.)	\$451	\$425	\$396
Total Chapter Revenues	\$4,991	\$425	\$396



Expenditures by Source

	Chapter Year 2019-2020	Chapter Year 2020-2021	Chapter Year 2021-2022
Food & Refreshments	\$382	\$0	\$0
Speaker Expenses (Speaker Fees, Webinar, Gifts & Expense Reimbursements)	\$2,210	\$2,085	\$1,685
Chapter Development Expenses (National PDT Registrations, Undergraduate Scholarships, & SLM Expenses)	\$3,400	\$2,703	\$2,050
Professional Fees (License Fees, Memberships, Etc.)	\$974	\$1,008	\$406
Other (Printing, Postage, Supplies, Etc.)	\$225	\$564	\$507
Total Chapter Expenditures	\$7,191	\$6,360	\$4,648



What's Next

Chapter Initiatives & Challenges



Chapter Officers:

President: Frank Moy
Past President: Tom DiLisio
Secretary: Chanel Castaneda
Treasurer: Tiffany McCoy

Directors:

Membership: Adriane McCoy
CGFM: Raul Nieto
Marketing: Rabiya Salman
Job Referral: Byran Stewart
Accountability: Rick Urbanowski
Awards: Chanel Castaneda
Community Service: Tom DiLisio
Education: Frank Moy
Historian: Tiffany McCoy
Newsletter: Chanel Castaneda
Programs: Tom DiLisio
Meetings: Tom DiLisio
Early Careers: Rabiya Salman
Social Media: Tiffany McCoy
Webmaster: Frank Moy
Webmaster: Tiffany McCoy
ACE Program: Rick Urbanowski
NCC Rep: Tiffany McCoy

We value your input and want to hear from you!

- Do you like this report?
- Would you like to see other information?
- Do you have any questions?

Please let us know by contacting Frank Moy at franklinmoy@hotmail.com.

For more information on the Chicago Chapter, visit us on Facebook or at <https://www.agacgfm.org/chicago>

Key Initiatives

- **Leadership Development.** Encourage chapter members to actively serve on the Chapter board and help mentor them to become effective leaders.
- **Member Recruitment and Retention.** Offer various new member recruitment events during the year to share the advantages of joining and becoming active in a local AGA chapter. For example, during the pandemic, we have provided AGA webinars at no cost to Chicago Chapter members.
- **Building Chapter Partnerships.** Continue to identify groups such as other AGA chapters and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners through which we can build partnerships to achieve the Chapter's strategic objectives. Continue to work with the IIA as a co-sponsor for the annual Fall into Training and Spring into Training events.
- **Promote the CGFM Certification.** This initiative involves creating a greater awareness of the benefits of the CGFM certification and making chapter resources available to members such as the chapter's CGFM study guides.

Key Challenges

- **Retain Current Members and Recruit New Members.** Create a greater awareness of who we are and what we do. Build management support for AGA. Increase chapter membership benefits such as providing AGA webinars at no cost to Chicago Chapter members.
- **Increase Participation in Chapter Events.** Continue to provide online training opportunities to members due to increased telework and remote work. Provide timely topics and relevant speakers.



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