

GFOAz 2024 May Training (5 CPEs)

AGENDA

8:00 a.m. | Registration Opens

9:00 - 9:50 a.m. | Capital Assets – Best Practices and Practical Advice | *1 CPE*

A review of GFOA accounting and financial reporting best practices for capital assets along with practical advice for how to implement these practices.

Speakers:
Michelle Huckabay, *Controller, ADOT*
Liz Rizkallah, *Accounting Manager, ADOT*

10:00 - 10:50 a.m. | Fraud & Forensics for the New Era | *1 CPE*

Fraud is ever present and ever changing. The presentation will cover newer fraud concerns, including fraud by remote workers and the impact of Artificial Intelligence, as well as present an update on current occupational fraud trends and how they are impacting the public sector.

Speaker:
Shauna Woody-Coussens, *Managing Director, FORVIS*

11:00 - 11:50 a.m. | How To Improve Your Management's Discussion and Analysis | *1 CPE*

In this session, we will discuss what is required to be included in the management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), along with a discussion on changes applicable to the MD&A as part of GASB's Financial Reporting Model Exposure Draft. We will discuss common errors and pitfalls applicable to the MD&A and how you can avoid them. Finally, we will discuss ways to improve the quality and usefulness of your MD&A, including tips, best practices, and example.

Speaker:
Rachel Ormsby, *Partner and Market Industry Leader, FORVIS*



12:00 - 12:50 p.m. | Lunch

1:00 - 1:50 p.m. | Overview of the Arizona Property Tax System | *1 CPE*

The Overview of the Arizona Property Tax System topics will cover the very basics of the system, touching on the relevant statutes; the various property classes; FCV vs LPV; limitations on levy/rates and how they work; how the tax bill comes together, gets paid, and distributed as well as an update on the *Qasimyar v Maricopa County* refunds

Speaker:
Lee Grafstrom, *Tax Policy Analyst, League of Arizona Cities and Towns*

2:00 - 2:50 p.m. | Intricacies of Arizona Property Taxation | *1 CPE*

This session incorporates practical information that demonstrates the interaction between property values and tax rates, levies, and liabilities under varying market circumstances. Useful for both the Arizona newbie and seasoned finance professional, the presentation helps to explain property taxes from the government and taxpayer perspectives and discusses the issues likely to arise through the implementation of the latest round of legislative changes.

Speaker:
Randie Stein, *Managing Director, Stifel*

3:00 p.m. | Concludes