Benefits of the Government Finance Officers Association of Texas

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TML Board Representative – Cliff Blackwell

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Ethics & Internal Controls – Miykael Reeve

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Membership – Monika Arris

CGFO – Renita Bishop and Becky Williams

Scholarship Fellowship & Foundation – Stormy Johnson and Deborah Mol
Benefits of GFOAT Membership

- Texas Specific Training
- Networking Opportunities
- Reduced Training Costs
  - Conferences
  - Governmental Accounting Academy
  - Budget and Tax Rate Training
- Updates on Regulatory Changes
Membership Committee

• Promote Active Membership
• Serve as Ambassadors Throughout the Regions
• Actively Recruit Members
• Assist with Regional Meetings
• Coordinate Awards
• Area Representatives Serve on this Committee
Communications Committee

- Facilitate the Distribution of Information to Members
- Maintain the Website
- Review Articles Submitted for Publication
- Review and Update Social Media
- Update conference ap
Conference Planning Committee

- Plan and execute valuable educational programs for GFOAT
- Plan conferences
- Plan social events
- Plan regional trainings
Ethics and Internal Controls Committee

- Encourage Professional Ethics
- Promote Our Code of Ethics
- Review and Update Our Code
- Provide Resources when Members are Faced with Ethical Dilemmas
- Provide Networking Opportunities
- Make Recommendations for Training Opportunities
Financial Reporting & Regulatory Response Committee (FRRR)

- Provide Financial Reporting Updates
- Respond to Proposed Regulations
- Work with the Legislative Committee on State and Federal Legislation
- Assist Members in Compliance
Legislative Committee

Inform Membership Legislative Issues Impacting Municipal Finance

Monitor Proposed Bills

Serve as the Liaison Between GFOAT and TML on Legislative Issues
CGFO Committee

- Must be a CGFO to serve
- Coordinate study groups
- Coordinate testing
- Review and update exams
Scholarship Fellowship and Foundation

01
Approve Applications for Two Conference Scholarships per Conference

02
Approve One Fellowship per Year
- $5,000
- $2,500 per Semester
- Field of Study – Municipal Finance

03
Coordinate University Outreach
TML Support Team

- Joe Foster – Financial
- Lavern Gaines – Administration, Membership, Conferences
- Tristan Gideon- CGFO Administrator, Assist GFOAT
- Tommy Lype – Accounting
- Rachael Pitts – Administration
GFOAT Fall Conference

- Mobile app
- Networking event – ATT Stadium
- Pre Conference
  - PFIA
- Committee meetings
- Board Meeting
- Golf Tournament – Pre-Conference
GFOAT Mission Statement

Promoting Excellence in Government Finance

Government Finance Officers Association of Texas
Strategic Plan

• GFOAT is committed to providing innovative, engaging, and accessible training to support the professionalism and integrity of the finance official.
• GFOAT is committed to strengthening members’ knowledge and skills by being the go-to training organization for the professional development of government finance officials in Texas.
• Recognizing that members only benefit from active participation.
• GFOAT is committed to the sustainability of the organization and the finance profession.
Web Design
The GFOAT Finance Forum Listserv is an easy way to reach out to other finance officers and tap into their experience and expertise. It should be used to ask questions, share information, and collaborate on municipal issues. Listserv membership is limited to GFOAT members only. New and current members can log in at GFOAT Finance Forum.

For questions or assistance in signing up, please contact Lavern Gaines.
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