



Tennessee Government Finance Officers Association 2021 Fall Conference

September 30 – October 1, 2021



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Welcome Remarks from Our President

On behalf of the Tennessee Government Finance Officers Association (TGFOA) we welcome you to our 2021 Fall Conference. We are excited to continue our tradition of offering quality educational as well as informational training at a nominal cost to our members.

Our program committee chaired by Lori Barnard, State of Tennessee, Comptroller’s Office, has worked diligently to put together an outstanding program for you. As always, we encourage our members to get involved in our organization and volunteer for one of our committees. We can’t do it without you!

Please join us after the Thursday session for the Tennessee Women in Public Finance “Game Night” social. The networking event will be located in the conference rooms across from the main ballroom. Come reconnect with your peers and enjoy a relaxing evening of fun, food and conversation.

We extend our sincere gratitude to each speaker for sharing both their time and talents and are thankful to all of our volunteers who have also contributed to this year’s conference.

Enjoy the conference; it is our pleasure to serve you.

Marianna Edinger

Marianna Edinger, 2021 President

Tennessee Government Finance Officers Association



CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Registration Desk—The registration desk is located in the Mirabella pre-conference concourse and will be open the following times.

- ⇒ Wednesday, September 29 — 3:00 pm—7:00 pm
- ⇒ Thursday, September 30 — 6:30 am—5:30 pm
- ⇒ Friday, October 1 — 7:00 am—12:00 pm

Please be sure to stop by to pick up your name badge and other conference materials.

Name Badges—Conference attendees must wear their name badge for admission to conference sessions and events.

CPE Credits and Certificates

- CPE will be recorded manually by attendees. A form will be provided in your Attendee Packet and must be left at your seat or on your table after the last session in order to receive your CPE certificate. CPE credits are listed in the conference agenda under each session.
- CPE certificates will be emailed to conference attendees after the event. CPE credits are based upon guidelines and review by the state Comptroller's office for CMFO and CCFO certifications and guidelines of the State Board of Accountancy for CPA certifications.

Evaluation—At the conclusion of the conference, you will be emailed a link to the conference evaluation. Your feedback is important and will assist us with making improvements to future conferences.

COVID Precautions—

- Masks are recommended, although not required per law.
- Hygiene stations are located throughout the Conference Area.
- In order to make as safe an environment as possible, there will be no open food items served.
- A Continental Breakfast will be provided for attendees not staying at the hotel. All items will be wrapped. Hotel guests should eat the hot breakfast provided by the hotel. You will need your room key to access.
- Boxed Lunches will be located in the hallway after the last morning session to be enjoyed at your location preference.
- Break refreshments will be wrapped.
- There will be water coolers located in each Conference Room for your use. There will be no open pitchers of water at the tables.

Bingo—There will be no Bingo Card this year. However, please drop your business card (only one per attendee, please) in the container at the registration desk for a chance to win a one-night stay at the Embassy Suites.

Internet Access—Conference attendees will have complimentary WIFI in the conference center.

- ⇒ Network/Username: TGFOA
- ⇒ Password: finance21

Exhibit Hall—Be sure to stop by the Exhibit Hall to visit this year’s sponsors.

Parking—Parking is free to all hotel registrants and attendees

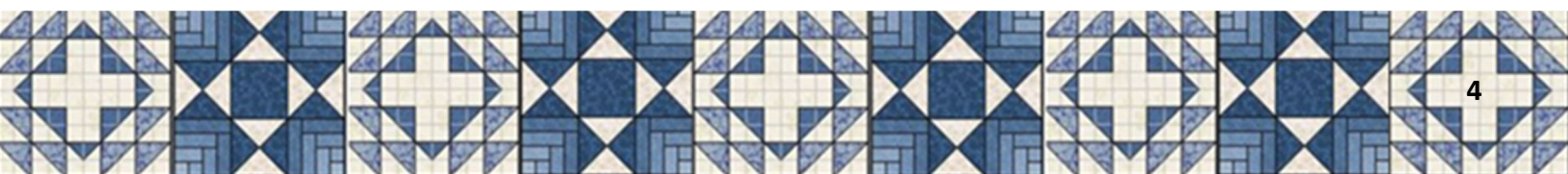
Helping Others—This year we are collecting loose change at the registration desk to be given to the Red Cross to help the flood victims in Humphreys County. We’d like to challenge each attendee to contribute the amount of change equal to their age each day of the conference. It’s amazing to see the difference we can make together.

Contacts—Conference Evaluation, CPE Certificates, and All Else Conference

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Meals—Meals and snacks that will be provided at this year’s conference:

Wednesday 9.29.2021	Thursday 9.30.2021	Friday 10.1.2021
<p>5:30-6:30 pm Hotel guests can enjoy Embassy Suites free Evening Reception in the Atrium. Bring your business card for drawings throughout the hour.</p>	<p>7:00-8:00 am - Breakfast Exhibit Hall <i>*Hotel guests please take advantage of the complimentary made-to-order breakfast provided by Embassy Suites.</i></p> <p>9:50-10:20 am - Snacks (Exhibit Hall)</p> <p>12:00–1:00 pm - Boxed Lunch <i>Attendees may eat in the Embassy Suites Dining Area, Outside, in their room, Etc.</i></p> <p>2:50–3:20 pm - Snacks (Exhibit Hall)</p> <p>5:30–7:30 pm - Light Hors D’oeuvres and drinks (cash bar) provided by Women in Public Finance and open to all attendees in the Cambridge Room</p>	<p>7:00-8:00 am - Breakfast Exhibit Hall <i>*Hotel guests please take advantage of the complimentary made-to-order breakfast provided by Embassy Suites.</i></p> <p>10:10-10:30 am—Snacks (Exhibit Hall)</p>





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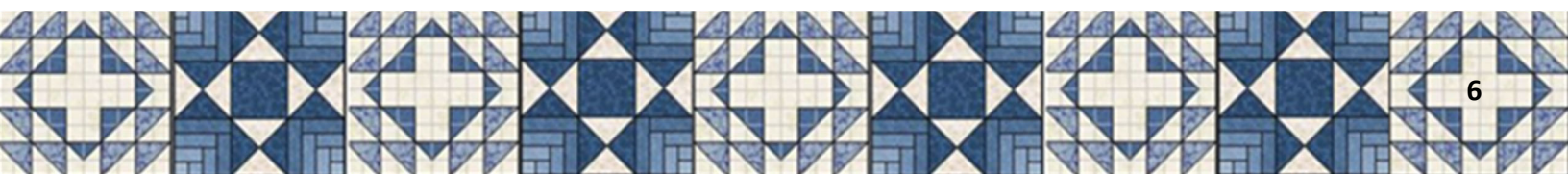
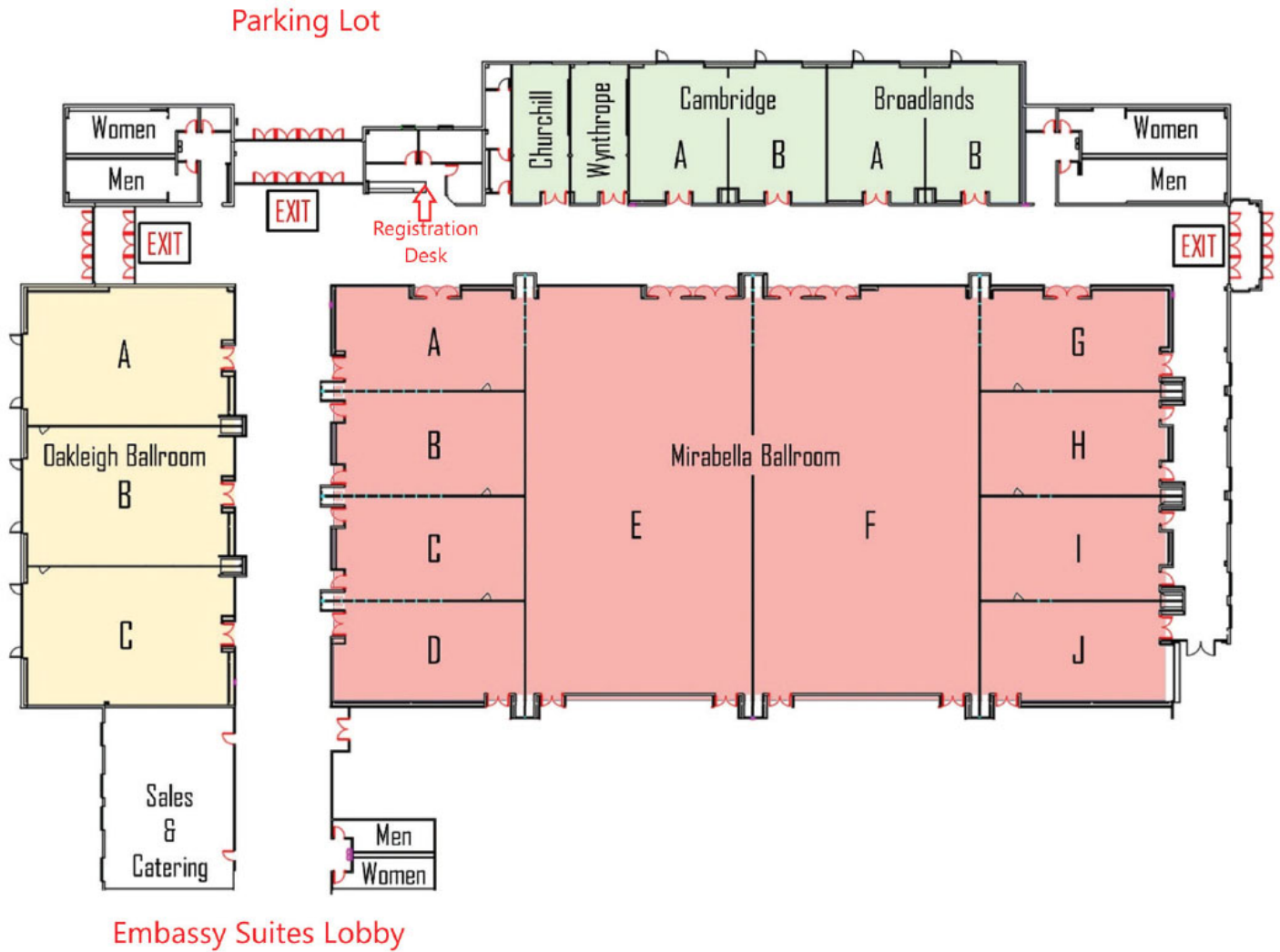
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CONFERENCE CENTER MAP



LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

Program Description:

Our program is designed for Tennessee officials that have direct involvement in the day-to-day performance and/or oversight of the finance function at their government. Our program will also benefit those responsible for auditing governments. Both state and local professionals will gain from this program. We have designed this year’s Fall program with an emphasis on opportunities and responsibilities of the American Rescue Plan. Other topics include legislative and economic updates, bond ratings, cash flow analysis, professional development, and ESSER funding for schools.

Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of the conference, participants will understand and be aware of:

- Recent legislation introduced by the Comptroller’s Office;
- Changes in the economy and how it’s impacting state and local governments;
- Public Acts that were signed into law in 2021 and how those acts impact your local government;
- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund grants;
- How to create and utilize a cash flow analysis and how to forecast revenue;
- The importance of a municipal bond rating;
- The American Rescue Plan —an overview of the plan as well as important details regarding eligibility requirements, reporting requirements, accounting requirements, revenue reduction calculations, broadband funding initiatives, and utility assistance and sewer assistance;
- Recent developments from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board; and
- How to develop professionally in your financial leadership responsibilities.

Level of Knowledge, Experience Prerequisite, and Advance Preparation:

Overview level of knowledge and no prerequisites or advance preparation is required.

CPE Credits: 12 credits; 1 credit hour = 50 minutes

Attendance Requirements:

In order to meet the Tennessee State Board of Accountancy and CCFO/CMFO CPE credit requirements, attendees must attend in person and attest to their CPE as explained in the “Conference Information” section of this program.

Delivery Method: Group Live

NASB Sponsor Statement:

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Wednesday, September 29, 2021

3:00 pm — 7:00 pm

Registration — Registration Area

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm

Embassy Complimentary Evening Reception — Atrium

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Thursday, September 30, 2021

6:30 am — 5:30 pm

Registration — Registration Area



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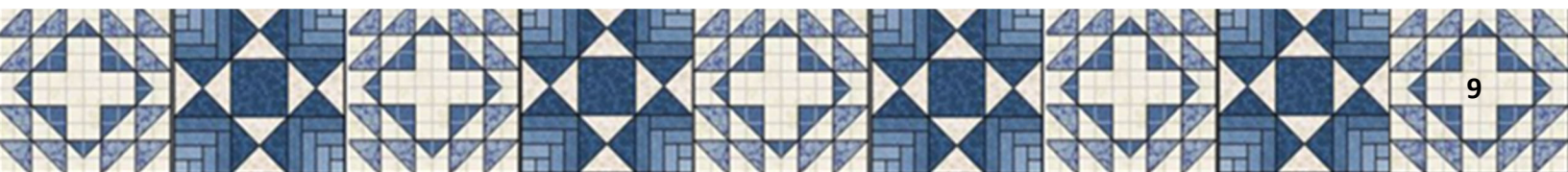
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7:00 am — 8:00 am

Continental Breakfast — Exhibit Hall

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8:00 am — 8:10 am

Welcome Remarks

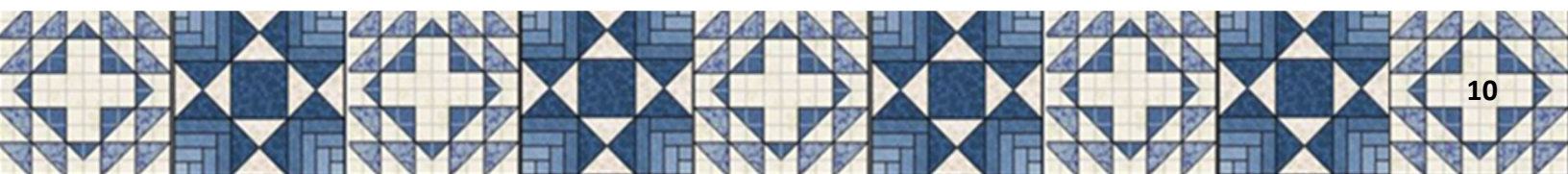
Marianna Edinger, President, TGFOA

8:10 am — 9:00 am

Keynote Presentation — Finding Certainty in Uncertainty—Going from a Passenger to a Navigator in the Workplace

Speaker: Jeff Butler, Author/Speaker/Workplace Strategist

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9:00 am — 9:50 am

Legislative Update and Introduction to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021

Speaker: Jason Mumpower, Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee

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9:50 am — 10:20 am

Break and Sponsor Networking — Exhibit Hall

10:20 am — 11:10 am

Economic Update

Speaker: Dr. Bill Fox, Haslam College of Business, University of Tennessee-Knoxville

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For Stephens, it has been a privilege to work with many TGFOA members to support Tennessee’s municipalities, hospitals, colleges and universities, school districts, state agencies, counties, utility systems and other governmental organizations.

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Public Finance

11:10 am — 12:00 pm

Summary of 2021 Public Acts

Speaker: Elisha Hodge, Legal Consultant, Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS)

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12:00 pm — 1:00 pm

Luncheon — Boxed Lunches

Attendees may eat in the Embassy Suites Dining Area, Outdoors, In their Room, Based Upon Preference

1:00 pm — 1:50 pm

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funding for Broadband Initiatives

Speakers: Tony Niknejad, Policy Director, Tennessee Governor’s Office

Brooxie Carlton, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

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1:50 pm — 2:00 pm

Room Change to Breakout Sessions



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2:00 pm — 2:50 pm

Breakout Sessions

» **BREAKOUT SESSION A** — Oakleigh A

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund

Speaker: Maryanne Durski, Senior Director, Local Finance, Tennessee Department of Education

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» **BREAKOUT SESSION B** — Oakleigh B

Cash Flow and Revenue Forecasting

Speakers: Betsy Knotts, Director, Local Government Finance, TN Comptroller of the Treasury

Steve Osborne, Financial Analyst, Local Government Finance, TN Comptroller of the Treasury

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» **BREAKOUT SESSION C** — Oakleigh C

The Importance of a Municipal Bond Rating

Speakers: Lauren Lowe, Managing Director, PFM Financial Advisors, LLC

Nick Yatsula, Senior Managing Consultant, PFM Financial Advisors, LLC

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2:50 pm — 3:20 pm

Break and Sponsor Networking — Exhibit Hall

3:20 pm — 5:00 pm

Local Government Technical Assistance Program (American Rescue Plan) — Mirabella

Speakers: Eugene Neubert, Deputy Commission, Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration

Ashley Nader Swain, JD, Director, Government Services, HORNE

Marsha H. Dieckman, CPA, Partner, Government Services, HORNE

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5:00 pm — 5:30 pm

Sponsor Presentations — Mirabella

5:30 pm — 7.30 pm

Tennessee Women in Public Finance

Game Night Social — Cambridge



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7:00 am — 8:00 am

Continental Breakfast — Exhibit Hall

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8:00 am — 8:30 am

Welcome and Business Meeting — Mirabella

Speaker: Marianna Edinger, President, TGFOA

8:30 am — 9:20 am

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Update and Related Matters

Speaker: Jerry Durham, Assistant Director, Local Government Audit, TN Comptroller of the Treasury

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9:20 am — 10:10 am

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Utility Projects

Speakers: Kendra Abkowitz, Director, Office of Policy and Sustainable Practices,
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Paula Mitchell, Deputy Director of Operations, Water Resources,
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

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10:10 am — 10:30 am

Snack Break and Sponsor Visitation — Exhibit Hall

10:30 am — 10:50 am

Sponsor Presentations — Mirabella



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10:50 am — 11:40 am

Calculating and Reporting COVID Revenue Losses

Speakers: Mike Lowe, Comptroller, City of Franklin

Lisa Nolen, Director of Finance and Budget, Rutherford County

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11:40 am — 12:30 pm

American Rescue Plan Act Panel—Answers to Your Questions

Moderator: Jerry Durham, Assistant Director, Local Government Audit, TN Comptroller of the Treasury

Panelists: Bryan Burklin, Assistant Director, Local Government Audit, TN Comptroller of the Treasury

Betsy Knotts, Director, Local Government Finance, TN Comptroller of the Treasury

Kay Stegall, Finance & Accounting Consultant, Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS)

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12:30 pm

Wrap Up and Closing Remarks

Marianna Edinger, President, TGFOA

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Local Government Technical Assistance Program	https://www.tn.gov/finance/coronavirus-local-fiscal-recovery-fund---state-guidance-for-local-governments/tennessee-department-of-finance-and-administration-local-government-support-program.html
Local Government Program email	TNARPA.support@hornellp.com
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TDEC Fiscal Recovery Fund Program Email	TDEC.ARP@tn.gov
General Information on State Planning and Oversight	
Tennessee Financial Stimulus Accountability Group	https://www.tn.gov/finance/looking-for/stimulus-financial-accountability-group.html
Audit, Compliance, and Budget Questions directed to the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury	
Dedicated ARP web page	tncot.cc/covid
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Dedicated Phone Number	615-401-7841
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund Questions	
Maryanne Durski, Senior Director, Local Finance, TN Dept of Education	615-419-1605

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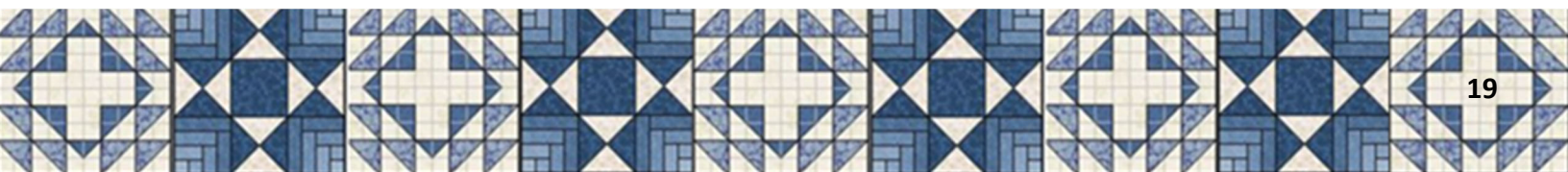


This year TGFOA awarded a \$1,000 **Carson Swinford Government Accounting Scholarship for College Undergraduates** to Nate Fontenay. Nate will graduate from Tennessee Tech University at Cookeville this December with a major in finance. During this past summer Nate participated in the Tennessee Comptroller’s Internship Program.

Please be sure to contact TGFOA’s Executive Director, Sandi Allen, for more information on available scholarships: sandiallen.tgfoa@gmail.com.

Available Scholarships:

- TGFOA First Time Attendee Scholarship – Spring Institute
- TGFOA First Time Attendee Scholarship – Fall Conference
- TGFOA Scholarship for First Time Attendees to National GFOA Conference
- Carson Swinford Government Accounting Scholarship for College Undergraduates
- TGFOA Scholarship to the GFOA Leadership Academy



TENNESSEE BARN QUILTS

We have included photos of barns for this year’s program cover. Driving through rural Tennessee you are likely to have seen barns graced with quilt plaques. There is a story to these “barn quilts.”

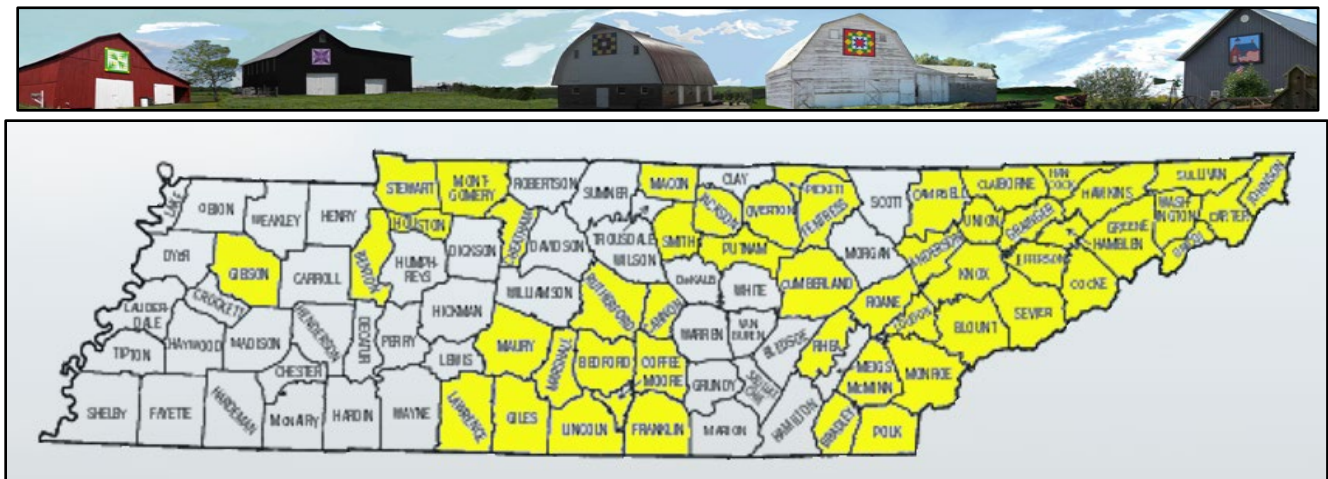
The first Quilt Trail began in the early 2000’s in Southern Ohio by a resident that wanted to brighten up her mother’s faded tobacco barn with a quilt pattern. This soon turned into many barns and eventually became a regional tourism project which has now spread to over 40 states and into Canada. The Appalachian RC&D Council out of Johnson City promotes a 6-county region in Northeast Tennessee that includes Carter, Greene, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington Counties and has over 130 quilt sites. [Source: <https://arcd.org/quilt-trail>]

Tennessee’s barn quilts are also featured as a vacation option at: www.tnvacation.com. Pigeon Forge invites travelers to discover the quilt trail in their region.

What is referred to as The Tennessee Quilt Trail started in 2004 in Northeast Tennessee. In the years since, the trend has headed south. Today many of the barn quilts on the Tennessee Quilt Trail are based on the history of the family that owns the barn. Some might represent an heirloom quilt in the family, others might have tie-ins to the family crest. The barn quilts are part of the community culture of Appalachia. The Tennessee Quilt Trail in East Tennessee stretches from the far reaches of the Great Smoky Mountains all the way to the Cumberland Plateau and back through the Tennessee River Valley. There are literally hundreds of barn quilts to see across East Tennessee (Source: www.pigeonforge.com/tennessee-quilt-trail).

Thankfully for Middle and West Tennesseans, barn quilts are not limited to East Tennessee, as illustrated in the map below.

Map of Tennessee Counties with Barn Quilt Sites:



Source: <http://barnquiltinfo.com/map-TN.html>

Front Cover: Pictures are from Grainger, Cannon, Coffee, Cheatham, Shelby (city fence), Stewart, and Roane Counties.



CHANGE IN REQUIREMENTS FOR CMFO AND CPFO CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Municipal Finance Officer (CMFO) Certification

The Tennessee Comptroller's Office sent a memorandum dated July 29, 2021, to all municipal mayors, board members, and financial officers to explain recent changes to the state law that impact the CMFO certification. The Municipal Finance Officer Certification and Education Act of 2007 was amended by the General Assembly and become law on May 25, 2021. The memorandum is comprehensive and includes frequently asked questions, but we would like to emphasize the following changes specifically related to annual continuing professional education (CPE) requirements:

Prior to the new law, CMFO certificate holders were required to obtain 24 hours of continuing professional education each year. The amended law reduced that amount to 16 hours each year. It also removed the ability to earn carry-over hours.

If you did not receive the memorandum, please email Jerry.Durham@cot.tn.gov for a copy.

Certified Public Finance Officer (CPFO) Certification

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) has posted the following update on changes related to annual CPE and GFOA Engagement Credit Reporting Requirements for CPFO Certificate holders:

Starting in 2021, CPFO members will report maintenance information on an annual basis. The new requirements decrease the annual continuing professional education (CPE) credits to fifteen (15) and add a new component that focuses on collaboration and engagement with CPFOS.

CPFOS will report three (3) GFOA Engagement Credits (EC) every year, in addition to 15 CPEs. You can view your GFOA CPEs and ECs in the GFOA LMS through your "My Dashboard". Your GFOA ECs will be added by staff towards the end of the calendar year.

For 2021, the deadline to report non-GFOA credits is February 28, 2022, for the 2021 calendar year. Your GFOA CPEs and ECs will be tracked for you.

GFOA has also published a listing of example Engagement Credits as well as frequently asked questions to assist CPFO certificate holders transition to the new requirements. Source: <https://www.gfoa.org/annual-cpe-and-gfoa-engagement-credit-reporting-requirements>.

MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Kendra Abkowitz

Director, Office of Policy and Sustainable Practices
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

Kendra Abkowitz is Director for the Office of Policy and Sustainable Practices. Kendra leads the department’s efforts to engage in environmental policy research and analysis and provide technical guidance to business, industry, communities and other entities to promote environmental stewardship. She regularly engages with federal agencies on topics that may impact TDEC’s programs and collaborates with diverse stakeholders to exchange views on matters relevant to environmental policy and sustainability. Kendra also supports implementation of departmental strategic planning initiatives and oversees the department’s compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights act of 1964. Kendra’s work spans a variety of complex, multidisciplinary topics including environmental justice, water reuse and infrastructure, climate resilience, emerging contaminants, soil reuse, and energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions reductions. Previously, she served as Policy Analyst, Senior Policy Analyst and Director for the Office of Policy & Planning. Prior to working at TDEC, Kendra served as a Sustainability Professional at Vanderbilt University. Kendra holds a PhD in Environmental Management and Policy and a Bachelor’s Degree in Economics and Sociology from Vanderbilt University, a MBA from Middle Tennessee State University, and a Master’s Degree in Sociology from the University of Chicago.



Bryan Burklin, CPA, CGFM

Assistant Director, Local Government Audit
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury

Bryan Burklin is an Assistant Director of Local Government Audit for Financial & Compliance Audits in the Tennessee Comptroller’s Office. Bryan is responsible for the review, approval, and distribution of the audits of the 91 counties that are performed by Comptroller staff.

Bryan has been with the Comptroller’s Office for 41 years, the last six in Nashville. He previously lived in Knoxville for 38 years. Bryan has spent his entire career assisting, advising, and auditing local governments in Tennessee.

A lifelong Tennessean, Bryan was born in Fayetteville, TN and raised in Winchester, TN.

Bryan is a graduate of UT Knoxville, and he is an avid Tennessee Volunteer and Atlanta Braves fan.

Bryan is the father of four – one son and three daughters. He is also a proud grandfather of two beautiful granddaughters (Stella – age 8, Lucy – age 3).



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Jeff Butler

CEO, JBulter International

Jeff Butler is the author of two provocative books - *The Authentic Workplace* and *The Key To The New You* and CEO of JBulter International. Having written over 100 articles on workplace dynamics, his insights have been featured in dozens of media outlets such as *Forbes* and *HR News*. In addition, he has appeared on TEDx in both 2016 and 2017 with both talks focusing on psychology. Before Jeff founded his workplace consulting company, he spent almost a decade in Silicon Valley working as a Software Engineer which is where his initial interest in organization psychology began to develop. Since then, he has personally addressed over 100 organizations internationally on workplace dynamics issues such as Google, Amazon, LinkedIn, and Wells Fargo. He lives in Boston, MA with his family.



Brooxie Carlton

Assistant Commissioner, Rural and Community Development
Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

Brooxie Carlton serves as the Assistant Commissioner of Rural and Community Development for the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. In this position, Carlton oversees federal grant funding from the Delta Regional Authority, the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Community Development Block Grant program. She works with the Tennessee Main Street, ThreeStar, and SelectTN programs.

Carlton has been involved in the administration of more than 3,000 grants totaling more than \$650MM including more than \$500MM in federal funding. She serves as Governor Bill Lee’s alternate to the boards of the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Delta Regional Authority.

Born and raised in Dyersburg, Tenn., Carlton attended Birmingham-Southern College in Birmingham, Ala. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa and with honors. Carlton received her master’s degree in human, organizational and community development from Vanderbilt University.



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS

Marsha H. Dieckman, CPA
Partner, Government Services
HORNE

Marsha works with states to maximize COVID-19 funding opportunities and provides oversight to teams implementing related recovery programs. She leverages over 25 years of experience in tax consulting, planning, and compliance when collaborating with states to create solutions. Marsha focuses on aligning Treasury guidance with state goals in creating programs from federal funding streams such as CRF, ERAP 1 & 2, and ARP. She recently led the successful design and operational launch of Tennessee's Emergency Rental Assistance Program, which ensured thousands of applications were successfully accepted in the first 24 hours.



Jerry E. Durham, CPA, CGFM, CFE
Assistant Director, Local Government Audit
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury

Jerry is an Assistant Director for the State of Tennessee, Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Local Government Audit. The division has statutory responsibility for audits of approximately 1600 local governments and related organizations in Tennessee. Many of these governments are subject to the Single Audit Act and OMB's Uniform Guidance.

A 37-year veteran of the division, Jerry has served as an auditor, audit supervisor, training instructor, technical manager, and assistant director. He is responsible for developing professional compliance procedures and monitoring the division's quality performance under GASB, AICPA, OMB, and GAO accounting and auditing standards. Jerry also has responsibility for supervising the peer review process, responding to professional public comment documents, and the contract audit review process within the division.

Jerry was selected for the AGA National Educator award for 2019. In addition, Jerry teaches the Yellow Book and Audit Findings training classes for the Tennessee Department of Audit. Jerry has been selected as Department of Audit Instructor of the Year four times.

Jerry has made training presentations for numerous professional organizations including NASACT, GFOA, AGA, and others; state auditor and state accounting organizations; and local governments. He currently serves on several working committees for professional organizations.

Jerry is married and has three children and five grandchildren.

MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Maryanne Durski
Senior Director, Local Finance
Tennessee Department of Education

Maryanne Durski is a native of Cleveland, Ohio. She holds a bachelor’s degree in French from Assumption College in Worcester, Massachusetts and a master’s in business administration with a concentration in finance from Boston College in Boston, Massachusetts. Maryanne worked for Bank of Boston in the Trust and Estate Division for ten years. In 1991 her family relocated to Tennessee where she began her career in education finance. She worked in various school and district level positions for Sumner County Schools, including school bookkeeper, internal auditor and assistant director of schools for finance, a position she held from 1997 to 2011. In 2011 Maryanne joined the Tennessee Department of Education as the Executive Director of the Office of Local Finance. In this position she leads a team that is responsible for the allocations of state funds to districts. She also supervises six regional finance consultants who provide financial technical assistance and support to Tennessee’s 147 districts and state special schools.

A member of the Tennessee Association of School Business Officials (TASBO) since 1997, Maryanne has served on the board since 2000. She was president in 2007 and since 2011 serves as the executive secretary to the board. In 2011 she received the James D. McCullough Distinguished Service award from TASBO and was named Tennessee’s Outstanding Business Official by the Southeastern Association of School Business Officials (SASBO).

Maryanne has been married to her husband, Zyg, for 44 years. They live in Hendersonville, Tennessee as do their two children, daughter-in-law and two grandsons, who are the lights of their lives.



Sara Freeman
Manager, Government Services
HORNE

Sara’s background includes providing strong accounting, consulting, and compliance to state CARES Act funding. She specializes in verifying all practices and procedures adhering to regulatory guidelines to minimize operational risk and facilitate reliable financial reporting. Most recently, Sara has assisted with the launch of Tennessee’s Emergency Rental Assistance Program. She has worked on Coronavirus Relief Fund programs for Florida, Tennessee, and Texas.



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



William F. Fox

Chancellor’s Professor, the Boyd Distinguished Professor of Business
 Director, Boyd Center for Business and Economic Research
 University of Tennessee

Bill Fox is a Chancellor’s Professor, the Boyd Distinguished Professor of Business, and Director of the Boyd Center for Business and Economic Research at the University of Tennessee. He was the 2013-14 University of Tennessee Macebearer. He is a past President and recipient of the Steven D. Gold Award from the National Tax Association. He has held visiting appointments as Professor at the University of Hawaii, scholar at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, and Distinguished Fulbright Chair at the University of Frankfurt, Germany. Fox has served as a consultant on a wide range of public policy issues in over 40 countries and 15 U.S. states.



Elisha D. Hodge

Legal Consultant, MTAS
 University of Tennessee

Elisha Hodge currently serves as a legal consultant with the University of Tennessee, Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS). Before joining MTAS in October 2014, Elisha served as the Open Records Specialist and the Open Records Counsel for the State of Tennessee from 2007 until 2014. Prior to joining the Comptroller’s office, Elisha prosecuted cases and served as advisory counsel for the Tennessee Department of Health. Elisha graduated from the University of the South (Sewanee) in 2001 and the University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law in 2003. Elisha currently serves as a member of the IPS Diversity Committee and as the Chair of the Exempt Staff Council for UTK, IPS, UTIA, and University Administration. As part of her role as chair, she sits on the UTPD Advisory Council, the Commission for Blacks, and the Employee Relations Advisory Board. Elisha is a 2021 graduate of the Tennessee Certified Public Manager program and is an Intercultural Developmental Inventory Qualified Administrator. She also serves as both a UT Promise Mentor and a tnAchieves Mentor.



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS**Betsy Knotts, JD**

Director, Local Government Finance
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury

Betsy Knotts is the Director of the Division of Local Government Finance (LGF). In this role, Betsy is responsible for supervising LGF staff, assisting local governments in areas of municipal finance, and providing research and support to the Tennessee General Assembly. Since Betsy joined the Comptroller's Office in 2013, she has served as counsel to the Utility Management Review Board and the Water & Wastewater Financing Board and has focused her expertise on tax incentive programs and local government financial transactions. In addition, she served as the Executive Secretary to the State Board of Equalization from May of 2017 until July of 2020.

Prior to joining the Comptroller's Office in November 2013, Betsy practiced public finance law at the Texas Attorney General's Office and also worked for the Tennessee Attorney General's Financial Division. She is a member of both the Texas and Tennessee Bar.

Betsy is a Fulbright Scholar and a graduate of Tulane University in New Orleans where she holds a Bachelor of Arts in Music and German Literature. She received her Juris Doctor and Bachelor of Civil Law from the Paul M. Hebert Louisiana State University Law Center in Baton Rouge. Betsy is also a 2016 graduate of LEAD Tennessee and currently serves on the board of the Tennessee Chapter of Women in Public Finance, Inc.

Betsy also serves as the Comptroller's designee and chairman of both the Utility Management Review Board and the Water & Wastewater Financing Board.

Betsy and her husband Chris have two children and a labradoodle named Oliver. Betsy and her husband are both interested in music, and Betsy has even been known to compare transactional law to music theory.

MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Lauren Lowe
 Managing Director
 PFM Financial Advisors LLC

Lauren joined PFM in September 2004. Throughout her time with PFM, she has provided technical and analytical support for a variety of clients including state, county, city, public power and utility system and airport clients. She is involved in analytical analysis as well as transaction management on debt transactions and structuring, strategic planning, pricing and cash flow analysis to her clients, as well as debt structuring of more than \$5 billion in bond issues and in excess of \$1 billion in bank loans and lines of credit. Her experience includes airport revenues, gas taxes; water, sewer and solid waste system revenues; infrastructure sales surtax; general obligation, and capital revenue transactions.

Lauren is responsible managing PFM’s financial advisory business in Tennessee. As a project manager, Lauren has developed and maintained complex cash flow models and capital improvement plans. As a managing director at PFM, she serves as the project manager to the various Tennessee entities to manage capital needs and the credit rating process for cities, counties, municipal school districts, airports, utilities and state agencies.



Mike Lowe
 Comptroller
 City of Franklin, Tennessee

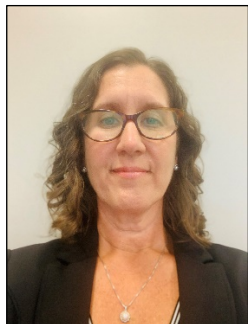
Mike Lowe is the City Comptroller for the City of Franklin. He has been with the City since November 1999. He oversees many of the operations of the Finance Department, such as payroll, accounts payable, investments, grants, accounting, and reporting. He works for the City’s Assistant City Administrator/CFO, Kristine Brock.

He holds designations as a Certified Public Finance Officer with GFOA, the State’s Certified Municipal Finance Officer, and a Certified Public Accountant in Tennessee. He graduated from the University of Tennessee.

Before coming to the City, he worked with the State of Tennessee’s Department of Finance and Administration.



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Paula Mitchell

Deputy Director of Operations, Water Resources
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

Paula Mitchell is the Deputy Director of Operations for TDEC’s (Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation) Division of Water Resources. She leads the State Revolving Fund Loan Program, Drinking Water Programs, and Compliance and Enforcement. She also oversees the administrative functions within the division including financial performance, contract and grant management, data management and electronic reporting. She joined the Division of Water Resources in March 2018 following 18 years of managing technical and financial assistance programs for TDEC’s Division of Solid Waste Management. As the Recovered Materials Program Manager she was responsible for implementing the 2025 Solid Waste and Materials Management Plan and working with local governments to plan, develop and finance solid waste and recycling collection systems. She has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marine Science from Coastal Carolina University and a Certificate in Public Administration Executive Leadership from TSU.



Jason E. Mumpower

Comptroller
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury

Jason E. Mumpower was elected Tennessee’s 35th Comptroller of the Treasury on January 13, 2021. He is responsible for leading the Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury, which comprises 12 divisions and more than 560 employees, and ensuring the Office fulfills its mission to make government work better.

Prior to his service with the Comptroller’s Office, Comptroller Mumpower served in the Tennessee General Assembly as the State Representative for Sullivan and Johnson counties in the Tennessee General Assembly. He was first elected to office at age 23 and during his 14-year tenure, he held the positions of House Majority Leader and House Minority Leader. He joined the Comptroller’s Office in December 2010, serving as former Comptroller Justin P. Wilson’s Deputy Comptroller and Chief of Staff.

Comptroller Mumpower has received numerous awards and recognitions during his career, including being named Legislator of the Year on multiple occasions by several organizations. He is also a recipient of the National Federation of Independent Businesses’ Guardian of Small Business Award and the Future Farmers of America’s Lifetime Alumni Award.



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Comptroller Mumpower is a graduate of King University (née King College) with a B.A. in Economics and a minor in Political Science. Notably, in June 2013, he graduated from Harvard University’s John F. Kennedy School of Government Senior Executives in State and Local Government program. Comptroller Mumpower is also a Rule 31 Listed General Civil Mediator.

Comptroller Mumpower is an Eagle Scout and is active in many community organizations and projects, including the Rotary Club of Bristol, TN/VA and the chambers of commerce in Kingsport, Bristol, and Johnson County, Tennessee. He currently serves as a member of King University's Board of Trustees.

Comptroller Mumpower resides in Bristol, Tennessee with his wife, Alicia, and son, Max.



Eugene Neubert

Deputy Commissioner

Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration

Eugene Neubert was appointed deputy commissioner of the Tennessee department of finance and administration by Gov. Bill Haslam in September 2015. In this role, he is charged with overseeing operations of the department, which is responsible for providing centralized accounting, budget and information technology services to state agencies as well as designing and overseeing management of the state’s self-insured healthcare insurance plans for state and higher education employees as well as local education and local government employees.

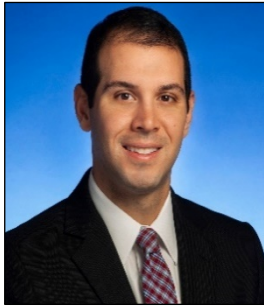
Before joining F&A, Eugene served as deputy commissioner at the Tennessee department of health beginning in 2011, providing operational oversight to programs serving public health in the state and advising the department’s senior leadership. He also served as assistant commissioner of the bureau of administrative services at the department beginning in 2007.

Prior to joining the department of health, Eugene served in the department of commerce and insurance for eight years, as assistant commissioner, chief of fiscal services, budget director and staff auditor. Eugene began his state career in 1998 with the department of employment security as an unemployment accounts auditor. He was selected to complete the Tennessee Government Executive Institute program at the University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service in 2003. Eugene graduated from Tennessee Technological University with a bachelor’s degree in accounting in 1997 and earned a graduate certificate in Public Administration Executive Leadership from Tennessee State University in 2019.

Eugene is from Nashville and he and his wife, Tara, now reside in Franklin, Tennessee, with their two dogs, Darcy and Gracie and one cat, Abbie.



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Tony Niknejad
Policy Director
Governor's Office

Tony Niknejad serves as Policy Director for Governor Lee and is responsible for leading the development of the Governor’s policy agenda. Prior to his role in the administration, Niknejad served as the policy director for the successful Bill Lee for Governor campaign and as a member of then Governor-elect Lee’s transition team.

Niknejad previously worked for a national education-reform nonprofit, and as a legislative staffer in the Tennessee state senate.

Niknejad is a member of the State Bar of Tennessee, a graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School, and earned his bachelor’s degree at the University of Georgia where he studied economics and philosophy. He and his wife, Cristina, are residents of Nashville.



Lisa Nolen, CPA, CGFM
Budget & Finance Director
Rutherford County, Tennessee

Lisa has 38 years’ experience in governmental accounting and auditing. (oh my stars! has it really been that long?) Lisa’s first “big girl” job was with the Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Municipal Audit working for Dennis Dycus in the fall of 1983. The Comptroller at the time was William Snodgrass. (Wow, it really has been that long!). After those first 10 years, Lisa worked for Tennessee Veterans Home, two different independent CPA firms, Rutherford County Board of Education, and rounding out the last 23 years has worked for Rutherford County Government. The last 18 of those 23 years have been spent serving as the county’s budget and finance director.

Hailing from Lynchburg TN, Lisa is a proud graduate of Moore County High School, Motlow State Community College, and Middle Tennessee State University taking with her a BBA Degree in Accounting. Being married to Mac Nolen for the last 39 years is unbelievable. However, her greatest accomplishment is being MOM to three children: Sierra, Sam and Savannah, who still like her most of the time.



MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Steve Osborne

Financial Analyst, Local Government Finance
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury

Steve Osborne has worked as an analyst in the Tennessee Comptroller’s Office since March 2011.

During his time with the Comptroller’s Office, Steve’s responsibilities have included assisting Tennessee cities, counties, and other governmental entities with debt and budgetary compliance. He also supports other financial matters including helping governments in financial distress; provided oversight for the issuance of more than \$3 billion in debt for the Tennessee Housing Development Agency; and assisting in various other analytical projects.

Prior to joining the Comptroller’s Office, Steve worked as an equity analyst with Avondale Partners covering the restaurant and consumer goods sectors. He was also the owner and manager of a Tennessee small business for over 15 years. Prior to that time, he worked on the municipal bond desk at J.C. Bradford. Steve holds undergraduate degrees from Austin Peay State University and Belmont University as well as an MBA from the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University.

Steve and his wife, Juanita, reside in Nashville, Tennessee with their three children: Steve III, Timothy, and Brooke.



Kay H. Stegall

Finance and Accounting Consultant, MTAS
University of Tennessee

Kay graduated from the University of Tennessee at Martin in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with an emphasis in accounting. She has been licensed as a certified public accountant since 1993 and a certified government financial manager since 1996. Kay earned her Masters of Business Administration in 2010 from the University of Tennessee at Martin.

Kay has over 30 years of experience in the government accounting, auditing and financial reporting industry. She has worked at the Comptroller’s Office of State Audit, Metro Nashville/Davidson Co. Internal Audit, Alexander Thompson Arnold PLLC public accounting firm and currently is a finance and accounting consultant with MTAS working with municipal finance officials.



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Kay has been married to Richard for over 30 years and they have two daughters, Rachel and Alyssa. Rachel graduated from UT Martin’s vet tech program with a Bachelor of Science degree and is a Licensed Veterinary Technologist. Alyssa graduated from UT Martin with a degree in health and human performance. Alyssa is pursuing a career as a physical therapy assistant.



Ashley Nader Swain, JD
 Director, Government Services
 HORNE

Ashley serves as Director of Compliance on HORNE’s CARES Act and CRF projects in Florida, Mississippi, New York, Tennessee, and Texas. She works directly with the State of Tennessee on management of its ARPA allocation. Ashley recently provided program compliance to Tuscaloosa County, Alabama’s ERAP program and Alabama and Arkansas HAF programs based on the most recent guidance from the U.S. Treasury. She focuses on helping states, local governments, and governmental agencies identify available funding streams and navigate recovery challenges by implementing programs that maximize funding while reducing the risk of recapture.



Nick Yatsula
 Senior Managing Consultant
 PFM Financial Advisors LLC

Nicholas Yatsula joined PFM's Memphis office in 2014. His work involves providing technical and quantitative support for many local governments throughout the State of Tennessee. His present duties include structuring, sizing, and pricing new money and refunding municipal bond issues. Other duties include assessing municipal issuers’ outstanding debt, performing analyses of refunding opportunities, cash flow modeling and debt capacity analysis.

Prior to joining PFM, Nicholas spent 10 years assisting tax-exempt borrowers with post-issuance compliance, preparing arbitrage rebate and yield reduction calculations.



WELCOME ATTENDEES . . .

Anderson County

Randy Walters, Deputy Finance Director

Ashland City

Gayle Bowman, Financial Director

Alicia Martin, Accounting Clerk II

Athens

Mike Keith, Finance Director

Bartlett

Dick Phebus, Finance Director

Bedford County

Heidi Farris, County Purchasing

Lori Schuler, Deputy Director of Finance

Belle Meade

Leigh Mills, Finance Director

Bells

Alicia Pigue, Recorder, CMFO

Blankenship CPA Group

Bob Adams, Senior Manager

Wade Craycraft, Senior Associate

Gregory V. Howell, CPA

Laurie Johnson, Senior Manager

Jonathan Rogers, Senior Audit Associate

Karen Stephens, Partner

Buddy Yearly, CPA

Bledsoe County

Amanda Pack, Financial Manager

Angelie Shankle, Financial Manager, Sheriff's Office

Blount Partnership

Bruce Kerr, CFO

Bluff City

Sharon Greene, CMFO, City Recorder

Bolivar

Lisa Dellinger, Financial Manager

Bradford

Shelia Cooper, CMFO

Bradley County

Rena Samples, Finance Director

Brasher Accounting

Lori Brasher, CPA

Brentwood

Matt Bonney, Accountant

Clark Franklin, Accounting Clerk

Brown Edwards & Company CPAs

Megan Argenbright

Bruceston

Annie Hand, CMFO, City Recorder/Finance Director

Burns

Carol Sullivan, City Recorder

Carter County

Carolyn Watson, Finance Director

Chattanooga

Chris Brown, Management & Budget Analyst

Matthew Dale, Accountant

Teresa DiDonato, Management & Budget Analyst

Brian Smart, Manager of Financial Operations

Cheatham County

Sandrine Batts, Director of Accounts and Budgets

Mary Kathryn Deason, Assistant Director of Accounts and Budgets

Clarksville

Dawn Thomack, CFO, Gas and Water

Clinton

Gail Cook, Finance Director

Coffee County

Marianna Edinger, Director of Accounts & Budgets

Collegedale

Ashlynn Boyd, Finance & Budget Analyst

Michelle Toro, ACM & CFO

Collierville

Lori Darty, Accountant

Emily Howell, Accountant

Mark Krock, Finance Director

Marc Pendley, Finance Manager

Valesa S.J. Wells, Finance Manager

Columbia

Stephen Carden, Assistant Finance Director

Thad Jablonski, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director



WELCOME ATTENDEES . . .

Cookeville

Brenda Imel, Finance Director

Crockett County

Meghan Rayburn, Finance Director, Board of Education

Dandridge Water Management Facility

Lisa Alexander, CMFO/Utility Office Manager

Dover

Carla Anderson, City Clerk

Dresden

Carla Edwards, Finance Director

Dunlap

Norman Hatfield, City Recorder/Treasurer

Dyersburg

Steve Anderson, Treasurer

Elk River Public Utility District

Rachel McKelvey, Controller

England CPA, PLLC

Mark Johnson, Staff

Erin

M. Angela Neilson, City Recorder

Estill Springs

Tina Smith, City Recorder/Finance Officer

Ethridge

Julie Yokley, City Recorder

Fairview

Tom Daugherty, Finance Director

Fentress County

Tyler Arms, Finance Director

Bobbie Jo Kirby, Deputy Finance Director

Tonya Owens, Accounts Payable

Franklin

Jessica Davey, Revenue & Licensing Manager

Angelique Franzoni, Financial Analyst

DeAnn Kraft, Accounting Officer

Mike Lowe, Comptroller

Will McCarville, Fiscal Affairs Manager

Lori Pope, Financial Analyst

Angela Sparkman, Senior AP Specialist

Caleb Stoner, Financial Analyst

Dawn Wildrick, Financial Analyst

Margaret Wilson, Financial Manager

Franklin County

Andrea Smith, Finance Director

Frazier & Deeter CPAs & Advisors

Lindsey Ellis, CPA, Audit Senior Manager

Gatlinburg

Robert Holt, Finance Director

Goodlettsville

Charles Ballard, Purchasing Director

Julie High, CMFO, Assistant City Manager-Director of
Finance and Administration

Hamilton County

Lee Brouner, Administrator of Finance

Vonda Patrick, Assistant Administrator of Finance

Holly Wormsley, Senior Accountant

Hamilton County E-911 Emergency Communications District

Jay Donnicks, Director of Administration

Hariman

Charles Kerley, Treasurer, CFO

Harrogate

Debra England, CMFO

Hartsville/Trousdale County

Amy Thomas, CCFO, Executive Administrative Assistant

HaYovel, Inc.

Iris Haby, Senior Accountant

Horton Highway Utility District

Dawn Lovins, Office Manager

Huntland

Doug Porter, City Recorder

Jackson County

Freda Hammock, Finance Director, Board of Education

Jasper

Linda Mason, Human Resources

Jason Turner, Mayor

Paula Turney, CMFO, Recorder

WELCOME ATTENDEES . . .

Jobe, Hastings & Associates

Jimmy Jobe, CPA, Partner
Drew Nickerson, CPA, Partner
Suzanne Vandiver, CPA, Audit Manager

Kidwell & Company

Larry Kidwell, President

Kingston

Michelle Kelley, Finance Director
Marsha Marshall, City Clerk/Accounts Payable

Knoxville

Jennifer Daye Graham, Financial Analyst
Boyce Evans, Deputy CFO
Stephanie Guptail, Financial Analyst

La Vergne

Bruce Richardson, City Administrator/City Recorder
Phillis Rogers, Director of Finance, Utility Billing and Tax
Tonya Williams, Finance Supervisor

Lakeland School System

Jessie Rosales, CMFO, Finance Director

Lawrence County

Patsy Lee, Office Manager, Highway Department
Kelly Odom, Grant Accountant
Teresa Purcell, Finance Director
Brandi Williams, Administrative Assistant

Lebanon

Phyllis Denney, Accountant
Sheri Featherston, Finance Officer
Stuart Lawson, Finance Commissioner
Sueann Smith, Accounting Manager

Lewis County Mayor

Johnny Clayton, COO

Lewisburg

Jack King, City Treasurer
Debbie Montgomery, Finance Assistant/Grant
Administrator
Donna Park, Treasurer

Local Government Corporation

Sondra Denton, Software Support Analyst

Loretto

Keith Smith, City Administrator

Loudon County

Tracy Blair, Budget Director
Julie Kleinschmidt, Assistant Budget Director

Madison County

Karen Bell, Finance Director
Michelle Sellers, Deputy Finance Director

Manchester

Bridget Anderson, Finance Director
Christy Barnard, Accountant

Marion County

Diane Beavers, Finance Director, Mayor's Office
Carol Newton, Director of Finance, Board of Education

Marshall County

Robin Bates, Director of Accounts and Budgets
Baleigh Whitson, Assistant Budget Director

McMinnville

Samantha Moore, Accounting Technician

Memphis

Yolanda Alexander, Deputy Comptroller Payroll
Michael Burose, Investment Manager
Mike Compton, Accountant
Shirley Ford, Chief Financial Officer
Crystal Givens, Manager
Cherrell Hawkins, Debt Analyst
Vickie Johnson, Administrator, Fire Department
Dywuana Morris, Comptroller
Forrest Norman, Payroll Coordinator
Andrea Perkins, Finance Manager
Jeryl Shumpert, Diversity/Contract Analyst, Police Dept.
Peggy Smith-Porter, Senior Budget Analyst, Finance
Valerie Snipes, Deputy Comptroller
Anita Taylor, Senior Financial Analyst
Andre Walker, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Carol Ward, Debt Coordinator
Kametriss Wyatt, Manager, Planning & Capital Programs

WELCOME ATTENDEES . . .

Metro Nashville and Davidson County Government

Stephanie Belcher, Finance Officer 3, Metro Water
Christina Binkley, Finance Officer III, Metro Water
Maria Caulder, Finance Manager
Donna Foster, Finance Manager
Loan Huynh, Finance Administrator
Jenneen Kaufman, Finance Deputy Director
Jennifer Pedginski, Finance Administrator
Alicia Viravouth, Finance Manager
Margaret Walker, Assistant Chief Accountant

Monroe County

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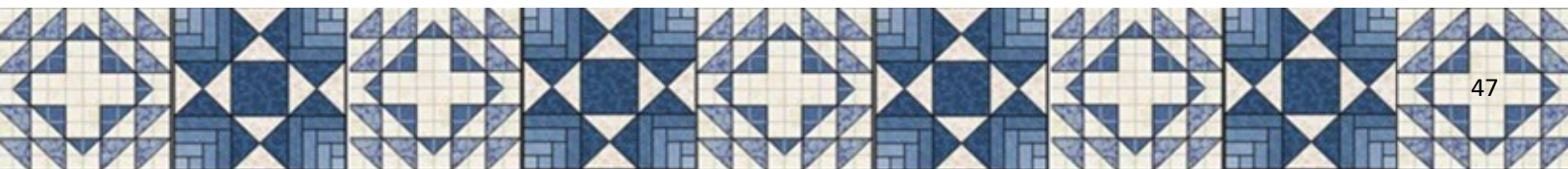
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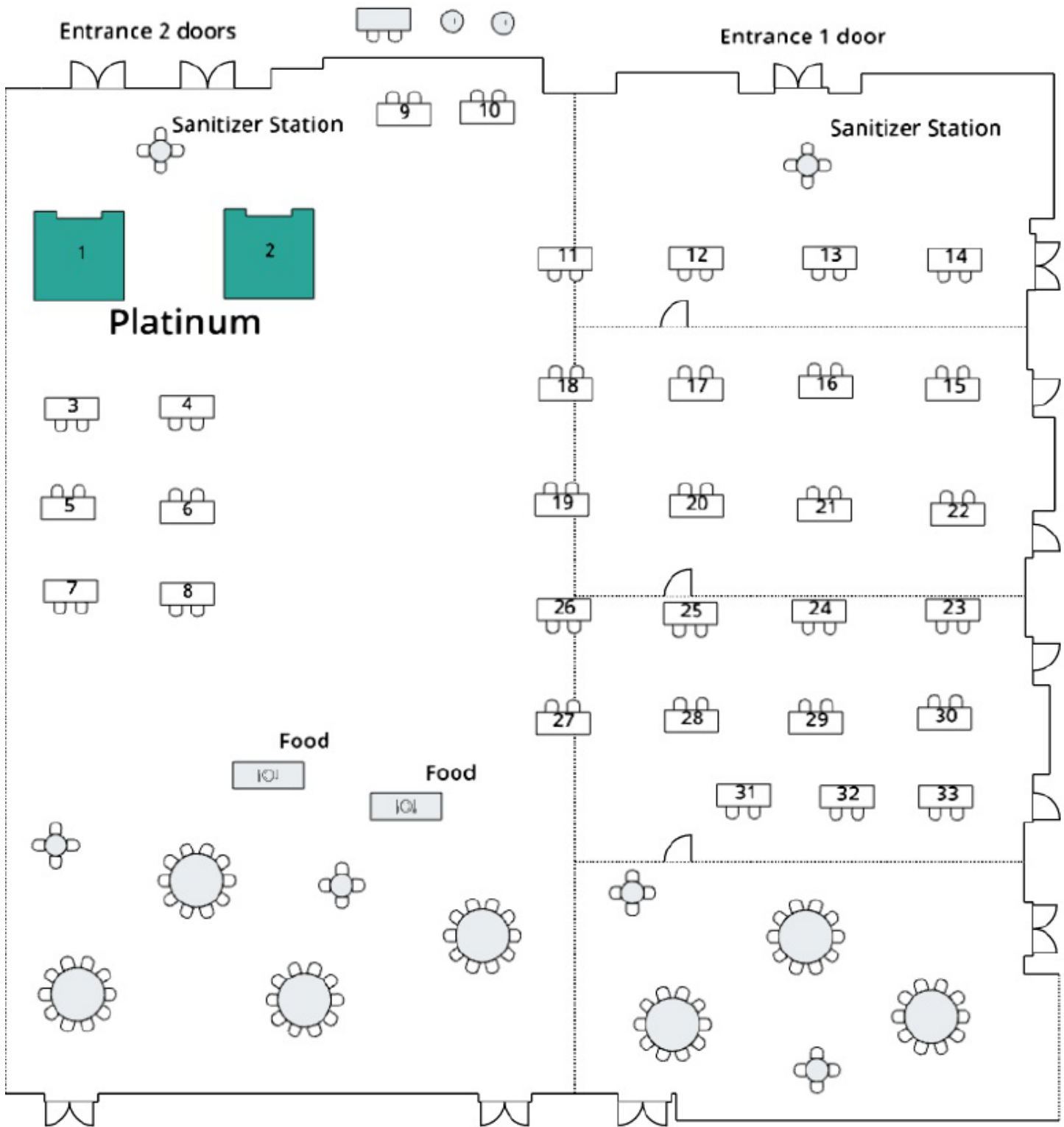
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