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**GFOA Announces Preliminary Program
Guide for 116th Annual Conference**

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WHAT: Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), the nation's largest membership association for public finance professionals, is holding its [116th Annual Conference](#), a three-day in-person event at the Austin Convention Center in Austin, Texas, so industry stakeholders have an opportunity to hear first-hand from leading practitioners and subject matter experts in federal, state/provincial, and local governments across North America about how to leverage tools found in public finance to build a better community. [View](#) preliminary program guide. *(Updates to the program guide will be posted to GFOA's website, conference mobile app, and social media.)*

Eight [preconference seminars](#) will take place two days before the start of the Annual Conference to provide interested participants with additional in-depth training opportunities on the following key areas of public finance: accounting, budgeting, capital planning, debt, ethics, school budgeting, and treasury and investment management.

WHY: The Annual Conference will include more than **seventy sessions** for a maximum of **twenty-one** continuing professional education (CPE) credits to help governments:

- Improve **capital planning and infrastructure management**
- Better prepare for the next recession with **sustainable budget practices**
- Allocate **funding** more effectively to improve community outcomes
- Modernize **treasury operations** with features that citizens want
- Provide easily accessible and transparent **financial statements** that are consistent with the latest Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) guidance.

WHEN: GFOA's 116th Annual Conference will take place in person at the Austin Convention Center on **June 5–8, 2022**. Sessions will take place from 1:00 pm to 5:05 pm (Central) on Sunday; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm (Central) on Monday; 8:30 am to 4:50 pm (Central) on Tuesday; and 8:00 am to 12:10 pm (Central) on Wednesday.

Attendee registration for the event is open [here](#).

WHO: 5,200+ stakeholders:

- Finance officers representing cities, counties, towns, school districts, state, provincial, federal government, and other special districts
- GFOA members and prospective members
- International delegations from the Association of the Financiers of the Local Self-Governing Units of Georgia; Chartered Institute of Government Finance, Audit, & Risk Officers (CIGFARO); Israeli Municipal Finance Directors Association; and the Swedish Association of Local Government Finance Officers

Sponsorship and exhibit [opportunities](#) are available for the event. View current [sponsors](#) and [exhibitors](#).

Three keynote sessions:

- [Omid Rahmani](#) and [Brian Krebs](#) will speak about cybersecurity and public finance during the Opening General Session on Sunday, June 5, at 1:00 pm (Central)
- [Dr. Tasha Eurich](#) will focus on the topic of self-awareness during the General Session on Monday, June 6, at 8:30 am (Central)
- [Ritu Bhasin, LL.B, MBA](#), will speak on inclusive leadership at the General Session on Tuesday, June 7, at 8:30 am (Central)

More than 265 presenters:

- Federal, state, and local government leaders
- Subject-matter experts
- Leading practitioners in public finance

[View](#) confirmed speakers so far.

For information about this year's event, please visit [GFOA's website](#). If you are interested in attending, contact [Natalie Laudadio](#) for a complimentary event pass.

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