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Tanya Garost Becomes GFOA President-Elect

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WHAT: **Tanya Garost**, CPA, CA, Chief Administrative Officer, District of Lake Country, British Columbia, was elected as the 2023–2024 president-elect of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) during its 117th Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon.

Her goals for GFOA are to continue working with governments to support their diverse communities, strive for equity for the many groups GFOA serves, and to create safe spaces for everyone. “Not only will this assist in creating stronger communities but will also help with the attraction and retention of staff that so many of us are struggling with,” said Garost.

WHY: According to the GFOA [bylaws](#), the election of the president-elect and the Executive Board members shall be at the annual business meeting by voting members of the Association.

GFOA Executive Director Chris Morrill said that Tanya Garost was elected by her peers because of her extensive experience in local government finance and management. “She has been a strong leader on the GFOA Executive Board and in the government finance profession and has a passion for public service. I am thrilled with her election as president-elect.”

WHEN: The election was held at the Association’s annual business meeting on May 23, 2023, at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Oregon, during its 117th Annual Conference, May 21–24, 2023.

Garost will serve on GFOA’s Executive Board for one year as president-elect. In June 2024, she will become the Association’s president at its Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida.

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WHO: GFOA Executive Board

- 2023–2024 President [Laura Allen](#), CPFO, ICMA-CM, Budget Analyst III, Capital Budgeting, Maryland Department of Budget and Management.
- 2023–2024 President-Elect [Tanya Garost](#), CPA, CA, Chief Administrative Officer, District of Lake Country, British Columbia.
- 2023–2026 [member-at-large positions](#).

[View](#) GFOA Executive Board.

Voting GFOA Members

- GFOA active government [members](#) work for cities, counties, towns, school districts, state, provincial, federal government, and other special districts in the United States and Canada.

For information about GFOA’s 117th Annual Conference, visit [GFOA’s website](#).

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