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Cumberland County Receives 14th National Recognition for Best Budget Practices

Carlisle PA – Cumberland County has been recognized for meeting national best-practice standards when preparing its annual budget for the fourteenth consecutive year. The Cumberland County Commissioners and Finance Office today earned the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for the preparation and presentation of the 2021 budget. In addition, for the second year, the county has received the Special Performance Measure Recognition.

"We are very proud of our staff and their commitment to excellence when preparing our county budget every year," said Cumberland County Chief Financial Officer, Dana Best. "Being recognized by the National Advisory Council is a testament to all employees who work on the budget throughout the year."

The award recognizes state and local governments for preparing budget documents that adhere to GFOA best practices on budgeting and guidelines from the National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting.

Budget documents are assessed in four categories. A budget must be effective as a financial plan, policy document, guide to governmental operations and a means of communicating information to the public.

Budget documents must have a minimum rating of "proficient" in those four categories and in the 14 mandatory criteria within the categories to earn the award.

The Government Finance Officers Association is a professional association of more than 21,000 appointed and elected state, local and provincial-level government officials in the United States and Canada. More than 1,700 governmental agencies participate in its awards program.

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