



May 2018

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VGFOA Certificate Program

Course content & requirements.

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VGFOA's Strategic Plan

Directions for the future.

Renew Membership

President's Message

May sure is a busy month for conferences!

It was great to see so many VGFOA members at the GFOA Conference in St. Louis last week. For those of you who have not yet heard the exciting news, our very own **Terry Stone was elected as President-Elect of GFOA!** Terry is the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations for Hanover County Public Schools. Terry also served as our VGFOA President in 2005-2006 and it is a privilege to still have her as an active member. More exciting news from St. Louis...another one of our members, **Amelia Merchant, was elected to the GFOA Executive Board.** Amelia is the Director of Finance for the City of Roanoke. VGFOA is proud of these two women and extremely fortunate to have them as members. Congratulations Terry and Amelia!

Our Spring Conference is next week and I am thrilled about the number of expected attendees! Remember, we are having a speed networking session on Wednesday afternoon, which will be a great opportunity to meet colleagues at the beginning of the conference. There will be tons of great sessions including our keynote speaker, Sunjay Nath, who will be presenting the follow up to his 10-80-10 Principle called The Number One Thing That Holds Us Back. Sunjay will also have his books available for sale and signing. Be sure to check out the conference website for more details about next week.

The Board has finalized the course offerings for this year as part of the Professional Development Program partnership with Virginia Tech. There is a webinar coming in June. In addition, we continue our long standing partnership with Radford for our Certificate Program and CPFO Review. Please continue to look at the schedule of educational training opportunities available on our website.

I look forward to seeing everyone at **The Main in Norfolk** next week and hearing feedback on the new venue!

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the Web](#)

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Discuss and exchange information with the membership



2018 VGFOA Spring Conference

Spring is here and the conference dates are drawing near. The Board has been busy finalizing logistics for May. We are excited to be visiting Norfolk and our new venue, Hilton, The Main, on Main Street. The venue is gorgeous, the rooms are spacious and our vendors will have a suite where all are located in one area. A great way to mingle and peer network. **We have a 300 plus attendees registered.**

The program is full. We are excited to have some of our popular speakers returning. Sunjay Nath, our keynote speaker, will expand on his discussion from last Spring in this year's key note address.



We will be offering a Speed Networking session on Wednesday to allow attendees to get acquainted or be reacquainted with their peers from all around the Commonwealth. This session will occur early in the program to allow you to network with new peers throughout the entire conference. We have both general sessions as well as concurrent sessions that will peak everyone's interest; the national and local/Commonwealth's economy, VA Procurement, VRS, the Green Book, GASB, GFOA, and lots more.



represents the visitors and convention center in Norfolk. They are rolling out a warm welcome to VGFOA and our conference attendees. A Downtown Diners Guide is available on our Conference website along with information on a "Show your Badge Discount" program established by merchants in the area.

**Save
the
Date**



The VGFOA Fall Conference will be held October 24-26th at the Hilton Short Pump Hotel. Please mark your calendars! We have some great topics that we are working on; including budget, backup withholding, the payables performance gap, the role of storytelling as a Finance Director, and great leadership topics!! Hope to see you there!!

Education / Training Update

2018 Certificate Course Schedule

2018 Dates	Course	Location
June 14-15	<u>How to Prepare a CAFR</u>	Stafford
June 28-29	<u>Human Resources</u>	Hanover
July 12-13	<u>Leadership</u>	Newport News

2018 Online Certificate Courses

[View Upcoming Courses and Events Here >](#)

Don't forget - our online courses are offered year-round! Registration fee is \$150 for online courses:

[Online: Debt Management for Public Finance Officers](#)

[Online: Cash Management and Banking](#)

[Online: Introduction to Governmental Accounting](#)

Online: Intermediate Governmental Accounting

Online: Internal Controls, Auditing & Fraud

Online: Retirement and Benefits, Risk Management, and Procurement

Online: Lawful Employment

Upcoming Events

***VGFOA Professional Development Program
Association Information Session***

June 26, 2018

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

VIA WEBEX

Please join us for a WEBINAR on June 26, 2018 from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm to learn about various Virginia Associations that work to promote Virginia local governments. Mr. Dean Lynch, Executive Director of the Virginia Association of Counties, Ms. Michelle Gowdy, Executive Director of the Virginia Municipal League and Ms. Cindy Mester, 2nd Vice President of the Virginia Local Government Management Association will provide an overview of their respective Associations. This overview will include member benefits, program offerings, membership information, and other important information about their Associations.

For more information on the Associations, please visit their websites:

www.vaco.org

www.vml.org

www.vlgma.org

Registration for the Webinar can be accessed using the link below. There is a \$25 fee for the Webinar. 1.5 CPE credits will be earned.

<https://register.cpe.vt.edu/search/publicCourseSearchDetails.do?method=load&courseId=1322142>

****Link to the webinar and additional information will be provided to those registered one week prior to the webinar.***

www.spia.vt.edu

**Communications, Legislative & Standards Setting
Update**

2018 Legislative Update

The On-Going Saga of Medicaid Expansion Continues

According to an article in *The Richmond Times-Dispatch*, “Almost four weeks after the House of Delegates approved two budgets that expand Virginia’s Medicaid program — one for the fiscal year that ends June 30 and the other for the biennium that begins July 1 — the Senate reconvened in special session on Monday (May 14th) and referred the bills to its Finance Committee for consideration.” Updates on each bill can be found by accessing

<https://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?ses=181&typ=lnk&val=02>

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