

## **News Release**

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## 25 Years and Counting! Charleston County Budget and Finance Teams Continue Impressive Streak

The County Budget office and Finance Department win awards for the 25<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

<u>Charleston County's Budget Office</u> received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its fiscal year 2014 budget (July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014) from the <u>Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA)</u>.

"This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement by your organization," said GFOA's Technical Services Center Director Stephen J. Gauthier in a letter to County Administrator Kurt Taylor.

The fiscal year 2014 budget was judged and awarded by financial peers from government organizations around the country, marking the 25th consecutive year that the Charleston County's Budget Office has won the honor.

Separately, the Finance Department also won a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 25<sup>th</sup> year in a row. According to GFOA, the award represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. The award came as a result of the outstanding work done on the comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR).

## Photos of the County's award winning staff

GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving over 17,800 government finance professionals throughout North America. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

To view Charleston County's Budget and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the Monthly Expenditures Reports, go to the financial reports page at: http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/Budget/budget4.htm

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