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City of Saginaw Receives Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

May 21, 2019 SAGINAW, MI – the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) is pleased to announce that the City of Saginaw has received the GFOA’s Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018. The GFOA has presented this award to the City of Saginaw’s Office of Management and Budget. This is the eleventh year in a row that the City of Saginaw’s Office of Management and Budget has received this honor.

In order to receive the budget award, the City must achieve the highest principles of governmental budgeting. These guidelines are designed to assess how well a City’s budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications device. Budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all four categories, and the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award.

In addition, the Office of Management and Budget received the Special Performance Measures Recognition. GFOA recommends all organizations identify, track, and communicate performance measures to monitor financial and budgetary status, service delivery, program outcomes, and community conditions. The City of Saginaw has achieved these requirements and has been awarded a Special Recognition for its performance management system.



"I am excited and honored that the City has earned this award again this year. It is a goal my team strives for each time we put together a budget document and we take extra care to follow the best practices in governmental budgeting. I truly believe that a budget document should be as transparent as possible and that it allows the community to hold us, the City, accountable for the plans and policies we put into place. We have been fortunate to receive this award for eleven consecutive years and we will continue to work on producing a better document, and hopefully continue to receive this award for many years to come." – Yolanda M. Jones, Director, Office of Management and Budget

There are 1,082 recipients in the Budget Awards Program. Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.

The Government Finance Officers Association is a major professional association servicing the needs of more than 18,000 appointed and elected local, state, and provincial-level government officials and other finance practitioners. It provides top quality publications, training programs, services, and products designed to enhance the skills and performance of those responsible for government finance policy and management.

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