



# Report to Our Members

CITIZEN-CENTRIC REPORT 2016-2017

## Vision

AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability.

## Mission

AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability.

## About the Mid-Missouri Chapter

The Mid-Missouri Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) was founded on July 11, 1973. Our first Chapter President was John Ashcroft.

The Mid-Missouri Chapter is located in Jefferson City, Missouri. The state Capitol is also located in Jefferson City. With that in mind, state government is the largest employer in the area.

The Chapter goals include providing cost effective education opportunities, advancement of the profession, and giving back to the community.

During the year, we provide multiple education opportunities which include chapter

meetings, webinars, and full day training events. We also work to advance the profession by supporting any chapter members pursuing their

offered at the chapter, regional, sectional and national level of AGA.

The Chapter stays connected



CGFM certification through mentoring, scholarships, and study groups. We give back to the community through various fundraising and volunteer opportunities. Finally, we help create leaders in our organization through the training and leadership opportunities

with our members on our website at <http://midmoaga.org> as well as through newsletters, meetings, and emails. The Chapter also hosts networking opportunities for Chapter members.

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## Who We Are

The Mid-Missouri Chapter has a dynamic membership. We currently have city (5), county (2), state (174) and federal (7) government members as well as non-profit (1), private (8), academic (6) and retired (10) members. We also have members with a variety of certificates, licenses, and degrees.

Membership Year: May 1-April 30	2015	2016	2017
Number of Current Members	252	227	213
Number of members with the CGFM	70	64	60
Number of new members	3	12	29

# Major Accomplishments and Goals

## Education

Mid-Missouri’s top priority is to provide affordable, high quality continuing education opportunities for our members. We offered chapter meetings, webinars, one-day trainings, and two-day trainings. Occasionally, the chapter sponsors grant training.



High school scholarship recipients Kendall and Taylor.



Members give back to community for such organizations as Central MO Food Bank-Buddy Pack Program.



Past Presidents being honored at Annual Breakfast.



Danielle accepts Platinum Chapter Award at National PDT.

	2015	2016	2017
CPE Hours Offered	61	37	41
Attendees Served	371	210	448
CPE Awarded (Total)	2,450	1,459	2,508*
At Chapter Meetings	169	92	186
At Webinars	101	28	258
At Training Events	2,180	1,339	2,064

*\*Due to almost all board positions filled for the 2016-2017 year, the Mid-MO AGA Chapter Executive Committee was able to plan more training events than the previous year.*

## Awards and Scholarships

The Mid-Missouri Chapter received the Platinum Chapter level, the highest level attainable for chapter activity. This continues the Chapter’s continuous record of Platinum awards since the current Chapter Recognition Program was started. This year the Chapter also received a first place for the AGA Ledger.

At the local level, the chapter awards scholarships to students

working towards a business or accounting degree. Scholarship funds are provided for a high school student, a college student, and a member that is actively pursuing a degree.

This year, the Chapter awarded a member scholarship to Jamie Pine, high school scholarships to Kendall LePage and Taylor Meyer.

The Chapter also awards Mem-

ber of the Year awards and the President’s Award to active members that have significantly contributed to the efforts of the chapter through their time, talent, and presentations. Member of the Year Award went to Shari LePage and runner-up to Tracy Farris. The President’s Award went to Amanda Siford.

## Chapter Objectives

Primarily to instruct, train, and inform government financial managers in the field of accounting, auditing, budgeting, systems, and financial management. This continuing education process will provide for the professional development of government financial managers so that they may better serve the public.

To contribute to the advancement of financial management principles and standards and through educational events, promote appropriate utilization of financial management methods and techniques to improve management control and accountability to the public.

To promote the observance of professional standards and ethics in the accomplishment of government financial management activities.

To recognize the unique skills and knowledge required of professionals who specialize in government financial management by sponsoring a professional certification program.

# Chapter Finances

The Mid-Missouri Chapter does not collect annual dues from its members. Instead, the Chapter uses training and meeting registrations as the main source of income.

Since the Chapter relies so heavily on that income, the Chapter has made the conscious decision to hold one year's worth of income in certificates of deposits. This protects the Chapter in the

event of a non-refundable disaster related cancellation of an education event. The funds could then be used to cover the cost of operations until another educational event could be hosted to generate income.

The largest portion of the revenue comes from the two annual Professional Development Training events.

The Chapter's largest expenses are the cost of the two annual Professional Development Training events, meals for educational events, and speaker fees and travel expenses.

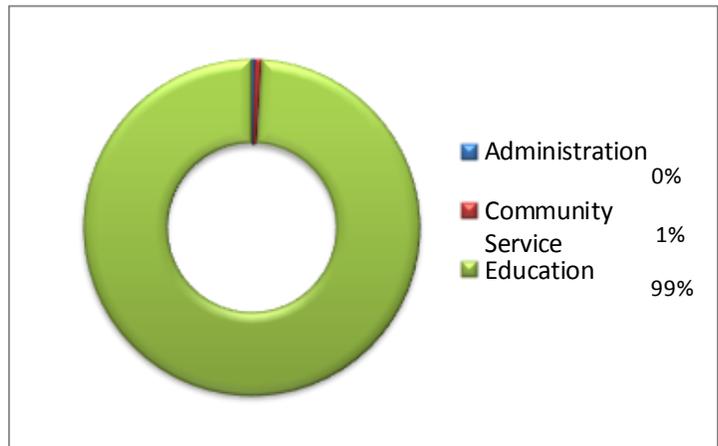
The Chapter is seeing the cost of operations rise while the membership is slowly shrinking. This is a challenge that the Chapter will work to overcome in the future program

Explore our website <http://midmoaga.org> for more information on:

- Upcoming Events
- Newsletters
- Leadership Contact Information

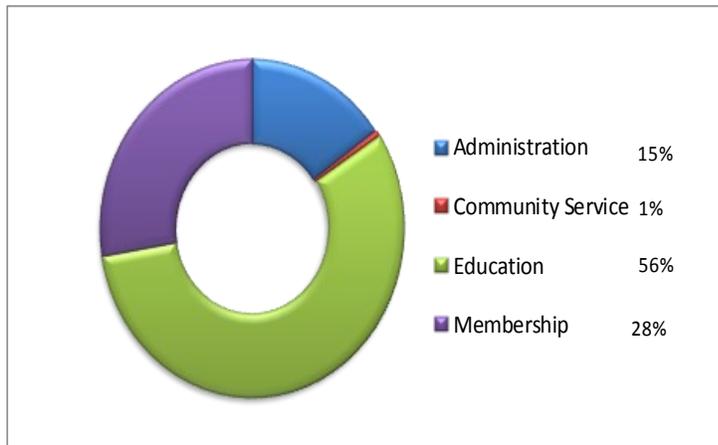
## Primary Sources of Revenues

Revenue	2015	2016	2017
Administration	\$284	\$4	\$122
Community Service	\$165	\$371	\$250
Education	\$36,215	\$29,425	\$39,170



## Primary Sources of Expenditures

Expenditures	2015	2016	2017
Administration	\$5,521	\$7,227	\$5,459
Community Service	\$165	\$371	\$250
Education	\$27,169	\$14,573	\$20,281
Membership	\$9,000	\$8,535	\$9,936



## Independent Audit

The Mid-Missouri Chapter's Financial Statements are reviewed by the Chapter Executive Committee. Additionally, the Chapter strives to obtain independent review by volunteer members annually.

## Challenges Moving Forward

Mid-Missouri AGA will strive to utilize technology to communicate as well as to provide basic operations. We are on Facebook and LinkedIn; we utilize e-mail to communicate with our membership; and we are constantly making improvements to our website [www.midmoaga.org](http://www.midmoaga.org). Our online event registration has been greatly improved and continues to develop.

The board is also working to address succession for future board years. We are brainstorming for innovative ideas that will interest new board members while still achieving our goals for the membership.

The board is also seeking innovative topics for monthly education opportunities. We review speakers at not only the national level, but also regional and other AGA chapter events and trying to obtain that expertise to the Mid-MO AGA local chapter level. We are continuing to offer local topics and grants training as needed.

Great things are in store for our members and will impact the governments for which we work.

We would like to hear from you. Do you like this report? Do you believe it should include different or additional information? Please contact Christina Freeman at [communications@midmoaga.org](mailto:communications@midmoaga.org) or Robin Burkhart at [president@midmoaga.org](mailto:president@midmoaga.org). Check us out on social media or our website <http://midmoaga.org>





### What's Next

Chapter leadership is working hard to plan a year full of educational opportunities including topics on fraud, grants management, ethics, updates to the Fair Labor Standards Act, and GASB Updates. Additionally, Chapter leadership will work with new State government leadership (post transition) to impress upon them the value of continuing education and memberships to AGA.



#### 2016-2017 Chapter Officers:

President Robin Burkhart  
 President Elect Felicia Hubble  
 Treasurer Vacant  
 Secretary Carol Blecha  
 Education Director Vacant  
 Membership Director  
 Danielle Weed  
 CGFM Director Jessica Prater  
 Community Services Director  
 Amanda Sifford  
 Communication Director  
 Christina Freeman  
 Past President Cathy Long

