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SPALDING COUNTY RECEIVES CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR 16th Consecutive Year

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Spalding County for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

An Award of Financial Reporting Achievement has been awarded to the individual(s), department or agency designated by the government as primarily responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR and has been presented to:

Jinna L. Garrison, Administrative Services Director

This is the sixteenth consecutive year that Spalding County, under Ms. Garrison's direction, has received this prestigious award.



The CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR. A copy of the Spalding County CAFR can be viewed on the Spalding County website at <u>www.spaldingcounty.com</u>.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 governmental finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL and Washington, DC.