

The Village of Sugar Grove is honored to announce that Village Finance Director, Pat Chamberlin, has earned the designation of Certified Public Finance Officer (CPFO) from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The CPFO Program is designed to verify knowledge in the disciplines of government finance.

To earn the designation of Certified Public Finance Officer, candidates must pass a series of five examinations covering the following major areas of public finance:

1. Governmental Accounting, Auditing, and Financial Reporting
2. Treasury and Investment Management
3. Debt Management
4. Operating and Capital Budgeting
5. Retirement & Benefits, Risk Management, and Procurement

The difficulty in obtaining the CPFO designation is indicated by the fact that candidates have seven years to complete the program once enrolled. Less than 600 individuals worldwide have completed the process and successfully passed all five examinations.

Pat has 15 years of experience in Municipal Finance along with significant private industry experience. During her career she has also obtained GFOA recognition for excellence in financial reporting and budgeting. She holds a Bachelor's Degree from Millikin University and a MBA from the Illinois Institute of Technology.

President Sean Michels stated, that, “We are fortunate to have Pat on our team. She possesses crucial skills the Village needs to make fiscally responsible and sound financial decisions.”