



Message from the Executive Director

"The other day my wife Carol suddenly said, "You weren't even listening, were you?" I thought to myself "That's a pretty strange way to start off a conversation!"

As I reflect on my time in Calgary, I simply want to say thank you.

Thank you to our delegates, speakers, sponsors, exhibitors, volunteers, board members, and partners for making the 2026 GFOA Alberta Conference such a success.

It was incredible to see so many familiar faces alongside many first-time attendees joining us from across Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba the Northwest Territories, Nunavut, and beyond.

Over the course of the conference, we shared ideas, tackled challenges, explored emerging trends, celebrated achievements, and strengthened the connections that make this profession and association so valuable.

The conversations happening in the hallways, breakout rooms, trade show floor, and networking events are what truly bring this conference to life.

We also had many valuable conversations with our sponsors, partners, and members about the challenges municipalities continue to navigate and the professional development opportunities that can help support that work.

As we begin building next year's professional development calendar from September through June, topics such as ERP systems, PSAB updates, FIR, asset management, and evolving reporting requirements continue to be top of mind across the sector.

Your feedback plays an important role in helping us shape those learning opportunities. The post-event conference survey, along with session feedback submitted through the conference app, helps us better understand the challenges members are facing, where additional support may be needed, and what topics should help guide future webinars, workshops, and conference programming.

A special thank you as well to our sponsors and exhibitors who continue to invest in our members and support professional development opportunities throughout the year. Your partnerships help strengthen the municipal finance community across our region. I hope everyone left Calgary with a few new connections, fresh ideas, and maybe even a little renewed energy for the important work you do in your communities every day.

Also, congratulations to Lauren, this year's winner of a \$2,000 WestJet gift certificate! On behalf of GFOA Alberta, thank you again for being part of this year's conference. We look forward to continuing to connect, learn, and grow throughout the year ahead.

P.S. We just got back from a trip to Saskatoon to attend the Urban Municipal Administrators Association of Saskatchewan to promote the great work we are doing at GFOA! And looking forward to attending GFOA USA/CAN in Chicago at the end of the month.

Have a great summer!

Regards,

Rick Wojtkiw
Executive Director

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Post-Conference Resources & Feedback

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2026 GFOA Alberta Conference in Calgary. If you'd like to revisit session materials, the majority of presentation slides are now available in the PheedLoop app under each session.

Unlike our previous event platform, the PheedLoop app will remain available beyond three months following the conference, giving delegates continued access to conference resources and information.

There is also still time to provide feedback on individual sessions and the overall conference. Your input helps us evaluate programming and plan future professional development opportunities.

Delegates collecting CPD credits can access and download their certificates through the PheedLoop app, as well as through their member profile on the GFOA Alberta website.

If you have any questions or require assistance accessing conference materials, certificates, or feedback forms, please don't hesitate to contact us.



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