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## **SPALDING COUNTY RECEIVES CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR 17<sup>TH</sup> 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 seventeenth 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 [www.spaldingcounty.com](http://www.spaldingcounty.com).



*Pictured: Jinna Garrison and  
Vice Chairman Donald Hawbaker*

The Government Financial Officers Association is a major professional association servicing the needs of nearly 19,000 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. The association is headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, with offices in Washington, D.C.

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