

# News Release



**Ilene Shapiro – Summit County Executive**  
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## **Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro’s Department of Finance and Budget Receives Distinguished Budget Award**

Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro’s Department of Finance and Budget was recently presented the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

According to GFOA, the award represents a significant achievement and reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. To win the award, the Summit County Department of Finance and Budget achieved “proficient” ratings in four categories: a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications device. Each category has 14 mandatory criteria that had to be met to receive the award.

“The Department of Finance and Budget continues to demonstrate their commitment to exemplary budgeting principles,” said Executive Shapiro. “Summit County works diligently to be good stewards of public funds and this award proves we are doing just that.”

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving more than 19,000 government finance professionals throughout North America. 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.

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