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County Budget Office Receives Distinguished Budget Award for 24th Consecutive Year

Award-winning document explains Charleston County's financial plan for citizens

[Charleston County's Budget Office](#) recently received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its fiscal year 2013 budget (July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013) from the [Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada \(GFOA\)](#).

"The award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement by your organization," GFOA's Technical Services Center Director Stephen J. Gauthier stated in a letter to [County Administrator Kurt Taylor](#) in March. "In order to receive the budget award, the entity had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation."

The award was given based not only on how well the County budgets its funds, but also on how well it communicates to the public how the money is spent.

"The public should recognize the significance of this award," said [Teddie E. Pryor, Sr., Charleston County Council Chairman](#). "They can see first-hand how Charleston County Government staff believes in transparency and goes the extra mile to efficiently provide services to our citizens."

The fiscal year 2013 budget was judged and awarded by financial peers from government organizations around the country, marking the 24th consecutive year that Charleston County's Budget Office has won the honor.

GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving over 17,500 government finance professionals throughout North America. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

To view Charleston County's award winning Budget and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Monthly Expenditures Reports, go to the financial reports page at <http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/Budget/budget4.htm>.

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