



Alamance County Board of Commissioners

INFORMATION ITEM AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: 11/4/2024

DATE SUBMITTED: 10/25/2024

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DEPT: County Manager's Office

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation of FY 2024-2025 Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

TO: Alamance County Board of Commissioners

ISSUE/ACTION REQUESTED:

Accept the Government Finance Officers Association's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for FY 2024-2025 and recognize staff from the County Manager's Office, Budget and Management Services, and Finance Department for their efforts to prepare the annual budget.

BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

Alamance County has received a Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the FY 24-25 Budget document, which is a significant achievement by the county. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, Alamance County had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

- a policy document
- a financial plan
- an operations guide
- a communications device

Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories, and in the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award. There are over 1,700 participants in the Budget Awards Program. The most recent Budget Award recipients, along with their corresponding budget documents, are posted quarterly on GFOA's website. Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.

The Budget Department has experienced significant turnover over the recent years, however, hard-working staff (listed below) worked together as a team to create a balanced budget for FY 24-25. This budget not only benefitted the community but also rose to the level of receiving an award.

- Jessica Mooty, Budget Analyst
- Anna Bowland, Budget Analyst

- Alex Norwood, NCACC Intern
- Rebecca Crawford, Budget and Management Service Director
- Susan Evans, Finance Officer
- Sherry Hook, Deputy County Manager
- Bruce Walker, Assistant County Manager
- Brian Baker, Assistant County Manager

Most of the team members were new to the budget development process but researched and analyzed tirelessly in order to meet the needs of Alamance County. We appreciate and recognize their commitment to local government.

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ATTACHMENTS: