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### **WAUKESHA COUNTY RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD**

WAUKESHA, Wis. – Waukesha County has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This year marks the 21<sup>st</sup> consecutive year that Waukesha County has received this award.

The rating, according to the GFOA, “reflects the commitment of [Waukesha County] and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.” Waukesha County Budget Manager, Keith Swartz, was identified by GFOA as the individual responsible for the County achieving the award. The Association noted special recognition for performance management program budget with strong performance measures directly linked to the County’s Strategic Plan.

Submitted budget documents are rated on how well they serve as a policy document, financial plan, operations guide and communication device. In order to receive the award, the budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all aforementioned categories as well as all fourteen criteria within each category.

“I am very proud of Keith Swartz and his team in many achievements of the Waukesha County Budget Division,” said County Executive Dan Vrakas. “Waukesha County’s financial operations are extremely well managed and this award is a reflection of that.”

The GFOA, located in Chicago, is a non-profit organization that assesses government financial professionals throughout the United States and Canada. The Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only award of its kind in North America.

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