



Government Finance Officers Association

Dear valued GFOA partner,

This morning GFOA announced an important **new policy** that will go into immediate effect and may impact your organization. Effective immediately, the common acronym used to reference the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report will no longer be advised by GFOA.

As the leading association for government finance professionals, diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to GFOA's mission. Our membership, at more than 21,000 strong, is diverse, as are the communities our members serve.

Because the four-letter acronym historically used to reference the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is so common in our industry, I wanted to notify you directly and invite you to review the full policy statement on our **website**. We have also made available a broader toolkit to help our members and our partners lead the way forward by championing the change.

We hope you will join us in raising our collective professional standards, and request that you share this policy update with your broader employee and member communities. Below is a simple statement that we hope you can use in your newsletters and via social media to help inform your stakeholders of GFOA's new policy and position.

**GFOA Announces “End the Acronym” Initiative**

*Our partners at GFOA recently announced a significant **policy update** regarding the proper referencing of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The new policy is likely to have a sweeping impact on our industry and we encourage you to take a moment to review it **here**.*

As always, we thank you for your support and partnership,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher P. Morrill".

Chris Morrill

Executive Director/CEO, GFOA

Read the official **“End the Acronym”** policy statement

Review the **“End the Acronym”** toolkit