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### **FORSYTH COUNTY BUDGET DOCUMENT EARNS HONORS**

*Budget publication receives award for fourth consecutive year*

**Forsyth County, Georgia** – The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has presented Forsyth County with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the county’s 2016 budget book. This marks the fourth consecutive year the county has received the award, which is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement.

In order to qualify for the award, a governmental entity must satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. The guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity’s budget serves as a policy document, as a financial plan, as an operations guide and as a communications device.

The budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all four categories and the 14 mandatory criteria within those categories to receive the award.

“Forsyth County places an emphasis on financial transparency and on making financial information readily available to the citizens,” Chief Financial Officer David Gruen said. “We are proud that the county has earned this prestigious designation for four years in a row and commend all of those who worked on this project.”

The 2016 budget book can be accessed on the Finance Department page at [forsythco.com](http://forsythco.com).

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