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President's Message

Pauline Marx, *City and County of San Francisco*

Being a Finance Director in the Alaskan Bush



One of the great privileges of the CSMFO Presidency is the opportunity to attend the state association conferences for the sister states of Alaska, Oregon and Washington. Of course, the most exotic of these is Alaska, with its huge size, vast natural resources and an economy different from the other 49 states. I could fill you with facts about this, but will just cite one set as an example. With a population of 730,000 (up about 50% from when I was last there in 1982), there are 220,000 pickup trucks and 50,000 snow machines registered in the State. To get a sense of the vastness of the state, think of Alaska as being more than twice the size of Texas!...[Continue Reading](#)

Executive Director's Message

Melissa Dixon, CAE



With the passing of August, we're officially 2/3 of the way through the year! September is the beginning of the end of 2013, and with it CSMFO's internal activities start to gear back up.

In September, CSMFO leadership will gather at the Renaissance in Palm Springs to build a new three-year strategic plan for the organization. Fun Fact: Each year, the strategic planning session is held at the following year's conference host hotel...[Continue Reading](#)

Where is the General Plan Financial Element?

1927 - State creates (requires) authority for cities/counties to prepare a General Plan.
1955 - Circulation and Land Use Elements required...[Continue Reading](#)

Preserving Digital Evidence: How to Protect a Municipality's Case Against Fraud

If you can imagine a set of nesting dolls, an entity's plan for preserving digital evidence sits inside a much broader and fairly complicated anti-fraud system...[Continue Reading](#)

The California Conundrum: Is Water a Public Resource, an Economic Good, or a Tax?

Depending on the beholder's viewpoint, water has been called a public resource, defined as an economic good, and categorized as a "tax," subject to the rigors of California's electorate under the rules of Proposition 218...[Continue Reading](#)

Annual Weekend Training Seminar November 15-17

2 1/2 day skills-based workshop at the Hilton LAX in Los Angeles. The training consists of ten different sessions.
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Playing the Next Round

2014 CSMFO Conference
Palm Springs
February 19-21, 2014

Plan to join us in Palm Springs for the best CSMFO Conference ever!



Welcome New Members!

Check out the 14 new members that joined CSMFO during the month of August.

Coaching Corner Webinar – "Economic Development"

Given the elimination of Redevelopment Agencies in CA and mixed results elsewhere, what are the tools and techniques that make sense now?

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Chapter Meetings

Orange County & CMTA Division 9

Meeting – September 12

What Do GASB 63 and 65 Mean to Me?

-Ken Al-Imam, Mayer Hoffman McCann

**Inland Empire & CMTA Div 8 Meeting
- September 19**

Special District Delinquent Property Tax Sales

-Brent Mason, City of Riverside & Robert A. Owens

**South Bay & Central Los Angeles
CSMFO Business Meeting
- September 26**

**State of the State's Finance and
Ongoing Audits of Local Governments**

-John Chiang, California State Controller

The Successor Agency Era

-Chris Hill & Andrea Scharffer, California Department of Finance

**Sacramento-Valley Chapter Meeting
- October 16**

**Future of Sales Tax and Forecasting
Sales Tax Revenues**

-Lloyd deLlamas, HDL Companies

Education Opportunities

**Intermediate Governmental Accounting
- Camarillo, CA**

– September 11, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

• Susan Mayer

**Power of Fiscal Policies/Long Term
Financial Planning**

- Palm Desert, CA

– September 12, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

• Bill Statler

**Intermediate Governmental Accounting
- Union City, CA**

– September 19, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

• Susan Mayer

Career Center

Associate/Senior Accountant, San Diego
Salary Range: Associate - \$49,432 - \$79,092; Senior
\$57,239 - \$91,583/year
Application Deadline: September 6, 2013

Accountant, Association of Bay Area Governments
Salary Range: \$4,735 - \$5,755/month
Application Deadline: September 6, 2013

Accountant II, East Bay Regional Park District
Salary Range: \$5,058 - \$5,502/month
Application Deadline: September 13, 2013

Director of Finance, Strategic Government Resources
Salary Range: DOQ
Application Deadline: September 16, 2013

Accounting and Treasury Manager, Alameda County
Water District
Salary Range: \$134,183 - \$163,105/year
Application Deadline: September 16, 2013

Director of Finance, Norco
Salary Range: \$95,500 - \$116,081/year
Application Deadline: September 16, 2013/Open Until Filled

Accountant, City of Chino
Salary Range: \$4,763 - \$5,791/month
Application Deadline: September 17, 2013

Director of Administrative Services, Bob Murray &
Associates
Salary Range: \$101,271 - \$135,714/year DOQ
Application Deadline: September 20, 2013

Accounting Supervisor, Municipal Water District of
Orange County
Salary Range: \$6,888 - \$9,298/month
Application Deadline: September 20, 2013

Director of Finance, Municipal Water District of
Orange County
Salary Range: \$9,888 - \$13,349/month
Application Deadline: September 20, 2013

Finance Director / City Treasurer, Willits
Salary Range: \$64,583 - 78,501/year (DOE/DOQ)
Application Deadline: September 20, 2013

Financial Services Manager, South San Francisco
Salary Range: \$8,663 - \$10,530/month
Application Deadline: September 20, 2013

Director of Finance, Strategic Government Resources
Salary Range: DOQ
Application Deadline: September 21, 2013

Finance Director, Town of Hillsborough
Salary Range: \$147,862 - \$179,712/year
Application Deadline: September 22, 2013

Administrative Services Director/CFO, The Mercer
Group, Inc
Salary Range: Up to \$129,187/year
Application Deadline: September 23, 2013

Director of Finance, Bob Murray & Associates
Salary Range: DOQ
Application Deadline: September 27, 2013

Accountant, Part-Time/At Will, Paramount
Salary Range: \$25.80 - \$31.35/hour
Application Deadline: September 30, 2013

Finance Manager, Clayton
Salary Range: \$74,964 - \$91,116/year
Application Deadline: October 18, 2013



COMMITTEE MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Josh Betta,
City of the New Bell

Finance Director, Prothman Company
Salary Range: \$88,296 - \$110,352/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Senior Accountant, City of Downey
Salary Range: \$5,7177 - \$70,833
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Principal Accountant, City of Downey
Salary Range: 68,606 - 85,000/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Sr. Financial Analyst, Moulton Niguel Water District
Salary Range: \$6,033 - \$8,120/month
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Administrative Services Director, Human Resources
Practitioners
Salary Range: Up to \$133,00/year DOQ
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Senior Auditor, Long Beach City Auditor's Office
Salary Range: \$55,000 - \$80,000/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Deputy City Auditor, Long Beach City Auditor's Office
Salary Range: \$80,000 - \$120,000/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Accountant, City of Glendora
Salary Range: \$4,420 - \$5,373/month
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Finance Manager, City of Chula Vista
Salary Range: \$92,731 - \$112,714/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

9177 Manager III Capital Revenue Manager, Ad Club
Advertising
Salary Range: \$94,276 - \$120,302/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Manager, Treasurer-Tax Collector-Treasury
Accounting, County of San Diego Treasurer-Tax Collec
Salary Range: \$90,000 - \$99,000/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Finance Manager, Bellflower
Salary Range: \$6,823 - \$8,293/month
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Debt Manager, Santa Clara Valley Transportation
Authority
Salary Range: \$122,345.86 - \$161,496.37/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Director of Finance, City of Crescent City
Salary Range: Proposed \$75,906 - \$95,181/year
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Public Sector Consultant, Regional Government
Services
Salary Range: \$50 - \$80/hour DOQ
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Purchasing Technician, Upland
Salary Range: \$3,568 - \$4,799/month
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled