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Cash Flow Forecasting: Developing the Right Approach for Your Entity - GFOA Webinar

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Details:

Governments should have a solid understanding of the movement of funds in and out of the organization. Cash flow analyses should be conducted regularly to estimate expected inflows and required disbursements during a given period to ensure sufficient liquidity. These can include tax and fee receipts, investment income, grants, or other revenues; and vendor payments and payroll expenses. Such an analysis is intended to measure and assess governments' abilities to meet financial needs and prevent the need for short term borrowing, tapping into an entity's reserve fund and limiting idle cash balances.

Governments should create a strategy for cash flow forecasting and analysis. This course will provide an overview of cash flow forecasting activities, discuss details of what is included in a cash flow analysis and how to conduct one, and outline the type of information governments should be tracking in order to conduct an accurate analysis.

Learning Objectives:

- Understand the fundamental elements of a cash flow analysis
- Evaluate tools available to track an entity's inflows and outflows
- Learn how to develop cash forecast reports for various purposes
- Become aware of useful software and business intelligence tools for cash forecasting used in the public sector

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