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Events

Novogradac 2019 Opportunity Zones Fall Conference - Chicago

The Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park

October 24, 2019 – 8:00am to October 25, 2019 – 12:00pm

Novogradac's Opportunity Zones Conference is one of the largest attended events in the community development arena, where fund sponsors, developers, investors, accountants, lawyers and others gather to discuss and learn how to effectively invest in qualified opportunity funds.

Don't miss this chance to meet with more than 500 leaders from across community development industries to discuss critical trends, challenges and solutions related to expanding the implementation of opportunity zones in order to transform some of the nation's most disadvantaged communities.

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA to Host Free Webinar on 2018 CDFA Volume Cap Report.

Analysis of the 2018 CDFA Volume Cap Report and Capital Markets Review | October 15, 2019 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

The annual CDFA Volume Cap report is an essential outline of national private activity bond issuance trends and is used by issuers, researchers, trade groups, and political offices to understand the private activity bond landscape. During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series, we will examine the recently released Volume Cap Report in fine detail as well as discuss the fourth-quarter outlook of the capital markets.

Stuart Weiss, *Moderator*
Vice President, Sales
The Bank of New York Mellon

More speakers will be announced soon.

Register

Advanced Tax Increment Finance Course.

November 6, 2019 | Tampa, FL

CDFA's Advanced Tax Increment Finance Course builds upon CDFA's Intro TIF Course by focusing more concretely on structuring the deal and developing short- and long-term policies. You will also learn about performance monitoring, feasibility analysis and using TIF in conjunction with other development finance tools.

This course qualifies for the CDFA Training Institute's Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program. Start down the road to personal and professional advancement today.

Click here to learn more and to register.

FINRA 2019 Advertising Regulation Conference.

October 24-25 | Washington, DC

FINRA's Advertising Regulation Conference offers a comprehensive agenda designed for new and experienced advertising professionals. Industry and regulatory speakers will facilitate interactive, forward-looking discussions on current practices, policies, priorities and emerging regulations. This year's conference also includes opportunities to network with industry peers and meet one-on-one with Advertising Regulation Department staff during office hours and throughout the event.

Click here to learn more and to register.

2019 Median Ratios for Not-For-Profit Hospitals and Healthcare Systems: Fitch Webinar Replay

Fitch Ratings hosted a webinar to discuss the 2019 Median Ratios for Not-For-Profit Hospitals and Healthcare Systems. Please see our recent press release on smaller U.S. NFP hospitals and their positive turnaround in operating margins.

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California Economic Summit.

November 7-8 | Fresno

Read More.

Intro Opportunity Zones Finance WebCourse.

September 24-25, 2019 | 12:00 – 5:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

The Bond Buyer's California Public Finance Conference.

San Francisco | September 23-25, 2019

For the past 29 years The Bond Buyer’s California Public Finance Conference has been the place where all of California’s municipal finance leaders — from public sector issuers to investors, investment bankers, municipal advisors, rating agencies, buyers and bond counsels — have met to discuss the key topics of the day including infrastructure, tax reform fallout, and the cessation of advance refunding.

Join us this September in San Francisco as leading municipal finance experts and senior issuers address these critical topics. What will take place in San Francisco goes well beyond the session rooms. Through a variety of networking opportunities, including the yearly golf tournament, you will gain as much by interacting with your 750+ fellow attendees as you will from the informative sessions. Spend three days with the State’s policymakers and dealmakers to gain the information and best practices you need to deal with the challenges facing issuers and the municipal bond market.

Attendees leave the conference invigorated by the knowledge and strategies that have been shared to thrive in today’s municipal market. Join us for a vigorous and thought-provoking discussion … and a full slate of networking opportunities that The Bond Buyer conferences are known for.

Click here to learn more and to register.

P3 Showcase: Building Michigan’s Infrastructure Through P3s

Lansing, MI | October 31, 2019

Join NCPPP for the latest P3Showcase, Building Michigan’s Infrastructure Through P3s, this October. Infrastructure in Michigan and across the country is faced with a growing portfolio of infrastructure challenges, such as roads, bridges, stormwater and wastewater facilities, university housing, and other social infrastructure, that needs to be built or renovated.

This P3Showcase will offer an advanced and in-depth look at how P3s have been utilized this far and how they can be more widely used in Michigan.

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA EDA RLF Training Course - Chicago

September 10-11, 2019 | Chicago, IL

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA-Bricker PACE Webinar Series: PACE Transactions

September 11, 2019 | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series: Fill In The Gaps with New Markets Tax Credits

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 | 1:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

MSRB Podcast: A Conversation About Yield Curves

The municipal securities market is composed of more than one million unique bonds, each with its own specific structural characteristics, ratings and yields. Market benchmarks such as yield curves, provide sector-specific or broad market information about the general level of municipal interest rates. Not all benchmarks and yield curves are created equal. Hear about how different yield curves are used to evaluate a bond’s yield or performance.

Listen to the podcast.

Posted: 4/9/2019

Municipal Finance Data Forum Midwest.

9:00 AM ET Thursday, October 3, 2019

XBRL US Meeting || Northern Illinois University, Naperville Campus, 1120 E. Diehl Rd, Naperville, IL

Sponsored & Hosted by:
Northern Illinois University’s Center for Governmental Studies

Join this half-day forum on how data standardization is changing the face of municipal financial reporting.

Hear public sector and financial data standards experts discuss how standardizing reported data can improve the efficiency of disclosures by U.S. state and local governments. This forum will feature speakers from the Bond Buyer, the Illinois Office of the Controller (IOC), Northern Illinois University Center for Governmental Studies, Truth In Accounting, Will County, and more.

This event is free to attend but requires advance registration. Seating is limited.

Click here to learn more and to register.

GFOA Announces Encore Presentations of 24th Annual Governmental GAAP Update.

GFOA's 24th Annual Governmental GAAP Update web-stream event will take place from **1:00 to 5:00 pm (Eastern) on November 7, 2019**, with encore presentations on **December 5, 2019**, and **January 16, 2020**. Take advantage of early and group registration discounts. Earn 4 CPE credits with your participation.

Learn More

Evaluating Local Government Security Ratings: Fitch Webinar

WHEN: August 07, 2019 3:00pm EDT

ABOUT THE EVENT

Join Fitch for a discussion on proposed revisions to evaluating securities relative to the related government's issuer default rating.

Speakers:

- Amy Laskey – Managing Director, US Public Finance
- Arlene Bohner – Senior Director, US Public Finance

View On-Demand

GFOA 24th Annual Governmental GAAP Update.

24th Annual Governmental GAAP Update

Training Type: Web-Streaming

Date and Time: Nov 7 2019 – 1:00pm to 5:00pm EST

CPE Credits: 4

Member Price: $180.00
Non-Member Price: $195.00

Prerequisite: Knowledge of state and local governmental accounting and financial reporting.

Speakers:

- David A. Vaudt – Chairman, Governmental Accounting Standards Board

- Stephen J. Gauthier – Former Director of Technical Services, GFOA
- Stephen W. Blann – Owner / Director of Governmental Audit Quality, Rehmann, LLC
- Michele Mark Levine – Director, Technical Services, GFOA
- Todd Buikema – Assistant Director of Publications, Technical Services, GFOA
- Peg Hartnett – Assistant Director for TrainingAssistant Director for Training, Technical Services, GFOA

Who Will Benefit: State and local governmental accounting and financial reporting professionals, state and local government CFOs, and auditors of state and local governments.

Program Description: Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) will offer its 24th Annual Governmental GAAP Update on November 7, 2019, December 5, 2019, and again on January 16, 2020, using the latest video and audio streaming technology. The seminar offers an incomparable opportunity to learn everything you need to know about the most recent developments in accounting and financial reporting for state and local governments from the convenience of your own computer! Enjoy all the benefits of the highest quality continuing professional education without the time and expense of travel!

Participate in interactive exercises to test your knowledge of the material being presented. Receive immediate feedback to your questions during the program from GFOA's Technical Services staff.

KEY TOPICS

- Overview of GASB standards becoming effective in FYEs 2019, 2020, and beyond.
- GASB 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*, including assessment of issuer commitments to support debt service payments and proper accounting and reporting for "lease-like" associated arrangements
- In-depth discussions of extensive new implementation guidance:
  – Fiduciary activities, including identifying fiduciary component units, assessing a government's control of and administrative involvement with resources, and accounting and reporting of the new custodial funds.
  – Leases, including identification of contracts covered by the new leases standards, determination of a lease term, measurement of new intangible right-to-use lease assets and lease liabilities by lessee governments, accounting by lessor governments, and new note disclosure requirements.
- 2019 Update to GASB's Comprehensive Implementation Guide.
- Discussion of GASB's current agenda and several recently-issued documents for public comment that will affect the future of governmental accounting and financial reporting for years to come!
- Audit update including the new Yellow Book

Seminar Objectives:

Participants in this year's GAAP Update should achieve a practical knowledge of:

- GASB 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*
- GASB Implementation Guide 2019-1, *Implementation Guidance Update-2019*
- GASB Implementation Guide 2019-2, *Fiduciary Activities*
- GASB Implementation Guide 2019-3, *Leases*
- Exposure draft of proposed standards
- Subscription-based Information Technology Arrangements
- Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements
- Deferred Compensation Plans
- Omnibus
- Updates on the new Yellow Book and other audit matters affecting governments

- Updates on other major GASB projects

GAAP Update FAQs

Other Documents:

- Brochure

GASB Webinar: Implementation Guides for Fiduciary Activities and Leases

Thursday, September 26, 2019, from 1:30 to 3:15 p.m. Eastern Time.

Registration is now open for CPE Webinar IN FOCUS: GASB Implementation Guides for Fiduciary Activities and Leases.

Media Advisory

Course Description and Registration

NFMA Advanced Seminar on Healthcare.

The National Federation of Municipal Analysts Education Committee will hold an Advanced Seminar on the Changing Face of Healthcare in Minneapolis on October 17 & 18, 2019.

To view the program, click here.

To register, click here.

P3 Bootcamp: The Premier P3 Training Course

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 | LOS ANGELES, CA

ABOUT

P3Bootcamp is an intensive one-day learning session that teaches public- and private-sector leaders how partnerships work and the proven strategies for assembling successful projects. Instructors for the P3Bootcamp series are leaders within the field and working on the biggest, most innovative projects today. Faculty includes well-respected government officials and executives from the legal, financial, consulting, insurance and real estate fields.

P3Bootcamp Program

When you attend a P3Bootcamp, you'll experience informative panel discussions on topics similar to the below. Click here to download the Los Angeles P3Bootcamp agenda.

The Framework of Public-Private Partnerships & First Steps in the Process

- What is a P3?
- Reasons to consider a P3.
- Sectors where P3s are used.
- Understanding what a P3 can and cannot do.
- How do P3s differ from traditional privatization and procurement processes?

Identifying and Developing a P3 Project

- What attracts the private sector to P3 projects?
- Evaluating whether a project is a suitable candidate for a P3.
- Considering options for P3 approaches.
- Formulating the project based on the agency's needs.
- Identifying and allocating risk.

The Procurement Process/Best Practices

- Overview of the procurement process.
- Running a transparent procurement while maintaining the confidentiality of bidders.
- Timing of the procurement and the status of the environmental/permitting process.

P3 Financing

- What tools are available, and how to evaluate which tools are most appropriate to a particular project.
- What are the key elements/issues/structures involved in financing a P3?
- What do equity investors and lenders look for in a project?
- What do practitioners need to see in a structure to make a deal work?

P3 Market Trends

- Where is the P3 market headed?
- What sectors are primed for P3 growth?
- How will the market trends affect your approach to projects?

Click here to learn more and to register.

Fitch ESG Relevance Scores - Webinar and What Investors Want to Know

Fitch has just published a "What Investors Want to Know" report about our ESG scores and methodologies based on questions received from investors. Please click the link below to watch our on-demand webinar on our ESG methodology in US Public Finance, and Infrastructure and Project Finance.

Listen Now

Opportunity Zone Conference Call.

Aug 02,2019 | 2:00PM EDT

On Friday, August 2, the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, in conjunction with the White House Opportunity and Revitalization Council and in partnership with the National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, is hosting an Opportunity Zone briefing and discussion call with Senior White House and Administration Officials, including Scott Turner (Executive Director, White House Opportunity and Revitalization Council).

The purpose of the call is to provide the nation's mayors and other municipal officials with an update on the White House Opportunity & Revitalization Council's ongoing work, highlight and share best practices and success stories from communities around the country, and answer pertinent questions. Among other topics, we will discuss recent regulatory and implementation developments, including the continued streamlining, coordinating, and targeting of existing Federal grant programs and otherwise towards Opportunity Zones. If you would like to participate, please register following the link. Please feel free to share with your colleagues.

Date: August 2, 2019
Time: 2:00PM EDT
Call-In Information: RSVP Here

BLX/Orrick 7th Annual Post-Issuance Compliance Workshop.

BLX/Orrick 7th Annual Post-Issuance Compliance Workshop

Austin, TX | November 14-15

A Comprehensive Overview of Post-Issuance Tax Law and SEC Secondary Market Disclosure for 501(c)(3) Organizations and State and Local Government Issuers Who Utilize Tax-Exempt Financing.

Click here to learn more and to register.

The BLX/Orrick Post-Issuance Compliance Workshop is going to Texas and The LINE Hotel in Austin! Reserve your place today at this 7th annual educational event.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The BLX/Orrick Workshop offers timely discussions of topics related to post-issuance compliance and tax law for the public finance and 501(c)(3) communities who borrow on a tax-exempt basis. With open forums allowing for attendee participation, BLX and Orrick professionals will lead the program and assist participants with understanding the IRS and SEC regulations and requirements relating to tax-exempt debt. The sessions allow for audience participation and address questions from participants relating to real life situations. Our team strives to make the discussion of tedious tax laws understandable and relatable.

Fitch Webcast: U.S. Housing Finance Agency (HFA) Loan Program Rating Criteria.

Date: July 11, 2019

Time: 11:00 AM EDT

Join Laura Porter and Mikiyon Alexander for a summary of Fitch's consolidated master criteria report titled 'U.S. Housing Finance Agency (HFA) Loan Program Rating Criteria'.

Speakers:
Laura Porter – MD, Regional Group Head, US Public Finance
Mikiyon Alexander – Director, US Public Finance

Register Now

Webcast Replay: U.S. Not-for-Profit Higher Education Median Webcast

Jun. 26, 2019 | New York

S&P Global Ratings U.S Public Finance held a live webcast and Q&A discussion on Wednesday, June 26th at 2:00 pm Eastern Time on the U.S Not-for-Profit Higher Education sector, highlighting both the Fiscal 2018 Public University Median Report and the Fiscal 2018 Private University Median Report, which was published the week prior to the webcast.

View The Webcast Replay

The National Institute of Public Finance Certificate in Public Treasury Management Program.

July 14-17, 2019 | Malibu, CA

Intensive Public-Finance Curriculum Providing Crucial Insight and Cutting-Edge Strategies

The 2019 National Institute of Public Finance (NIPF) includes an intensive public finance curriculum, providing crucial insight into current public finance issues; developing the skills required for the future, free from commercial influence; and sharing ideas, best practices, and cutting-edge strategies.

Participants in each track will complete:

- Four core sessions (consistent across all educational tracks)
- Eight track-specific sessions

Click here to learn more and to register.

SIFMA's LIBOR Transition Briefing, July 15 in NYC

July 15, 2019 | SIFMA Conference Center, NYC

Registration Open

On July 15, SIFMA will host the LIBOR Transition Briefing in New York City to discuss the transition from the London Inter-bank Offered Rate (LIBOR) to alternative interest rate benchmarks.

Hear from policymakers at the center of the transition on what financial firms need to do today as well as the next stage in the move away from LIBOR to ensure a sound, coordinated industry effort.

Attend the GFOA Leadership Academy.

Enhance your leadership skills and advance your career by attending GFOA Leadership Academy, **October 13-18 at the College of Charleston in Charleston, SC**. This weeklong training session provides ambitious public and government finance professionals an opportunity to bolster their leadership and management skills to better serve their communities. The application deadline is June 30.

Click here to learn more.

Fitch Webinar: ESG Relevance Scores for US Public Finance, and Infrastructure and Project Finance Now Available On-Demand

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors are increasingly important for investment decisions, which is why Fitch has introduced ESG relevance scores to show relevance and materiality of ESG to ratings.

Speakers:

- **Laura Porter** – Managing Director, US Public Finance (Moderator)
- **Andrew Steel** – Managing Director, Sustainable Finance
- **Sara Anzinger** – Director, Sustainable Finance
- **Michael Rinaldi** – Senior Director, US Public Finance
- **Scott Zuchorski** – Managing Director, US Infrastructure and Project Finance
- **Glaucia Calp** – Managing Director, LATAM Infrastructure and Project Finance

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Register For This Webcast

CDFA to Host Webinar on Opportunity Zones and Affordable Housing with HUD, USDA.

June 27 | 2:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA Illinois Roundtable - Opportunity Zones & Development Finance

July 25, 2019 | Chicago, IL

Register Now

BLX/Orrick Post-Issuance Compliance Webinar: 2019 Updates from the Front Line

Orrick and BLX hosted a webinar on recent post-issuance compliance topics, including new rules and regulations, and audits relating to tax-exempt debt from experts who regularly interact with Treasury department officials and the IRS.

Watch Webinar.

PDF of this presentation is available here: Post-Issuance Compliance: 2019 Updates From the Frontline

For additional information on the webinar or the services BLX Group offers to assist you with your post-issuance compliance needs, please contact:

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Brookings 8th Annual Municipal Finance Conference.

Brookings Institution
Washington, DC

Monday, Jul 15, 2019 1:30 PM – Tuesday Jul 16, 2019 12:00 PM EDT

Register for Webcast.

Register to Attend.

Proposed Changes to Fitch U.S. Water & Sewer Utilities Rating Criteria: Webinar

May 23, 2019 2:00PM EDT

Please join us for our discussion of the proposed changes to Fitch's U.S. Water and Sewer Utilities Rating Criteria. Key points include:

- Summary of proposed changes
- Key rating drivers
- How to provide your feedback

Register Now

Webinar: Variable Rate Demand Obligations for Affordable Housing

The Bond Buyer | *April.11.2019*

In the area of affordable housing finance, some Issuers have returned to, or are considering returning to, issuing variable rate demand obligations (VRDOs). This has led Issuers to revisit credit support, tender mechanics and structuring and disclosure considerations. Even issue price has required some new thinking. Watch this on-demand webinar from Orrick and the Bond Buyer to learn more about VRDOs in the context of affordable housing.

Topics discussed:

- Recent trends in VRDOs
- Credit support and hedging strategies
- Structuring considerations
- Disclosure

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The Landscape of Mega Project Incentives: CDFA Webinar

The Landscape of Mega Project Incentives | June 18, 2019 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

Mega projects are arguably the most fascinating developments that can be undertaken. From developers to average citizens, projects of such a grand scale attract the attention of everyone. In order to make development dreams become a reality, proposals call for public entities to solve myriad financing challenges. This trend has continued to show up in projects such as the new

Foxconn plant in Wisconsin and Amazon's recent decision on the location for HQ2. During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series, expert speakers will provide an in-depth overview on the approaches currently being used by cities, counties and states across the U.S. to attract mega projects.

Speakers will be announced soon.

Register

S&P Extra Credit Todd Talks: The Todds Continue To Talk On Pensions And OPEB Issues

This week they talk about asset transfers and other post-employment benefit obligation bonds (OOBs). Carol Spain will discuss recent trends in these areas with respect to Illinois.

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May 6, 2019

Apply Now for GFOA's Leadership Academy.

The new GFOA Leadership Academy builds off the key program tenets that were part of the AGFI for over 30 years, with enhanced…

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Webinar: Fitch's Response to First Circuit Court of Appeals Ruling on Special Revenue Protections.

Now Available On-Demand

Fitch hosted a webinar to discuss our response to the March 26, 2019 ruling by the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit regarding the bondholder protections provided by special revenue status under Chapter 9 of the U.S. bankruptcy code.

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New Community Strategies for Brownfields: Opportunity Zones

May 21, 2019 – 2:00 – 3:30 PM

There are numerous and diverse types of financing tools and incentives available to communities for tackling the challenges of financing brownfields redevelopment. From tax-exempt bonds to district-based financing to revolving loan funds, the financing for brownfields redevelopment is often layered with multiple financing tools to produce the final project capital stack. With the passage of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, communities now have a new federal incentive in their toolbox: Opportunity Zones. Through a special partnership with KSU TAB, CCLR, and CDFA, webcast panelists will explore how communities are preparing themselves for Opportunity Zone investments and with the release of new proposed regulations, how this emerging industry is beginning to mold its first deals. Speakers will also examine how communities across the U.S. are integrating these new strategies with current and future redevelopment plans, with a specific focus on brownfields sites.

Click here to learn more and to register.

NASBO 2019 Introduction to State Budgeting Seminar.

August 21-23 – Arlington, Virginia

This seminar is geared toward state budget analysts with two years or less experience. Providing informative sessions that focus on communication strategies, budgeting from the perspective of an analyst, as well as an in-depth analysis of budget requests utilizing case studies. Come network with colleagues by program area to share best practices and discuss budgeting challenges. The seminar will begin Wednesday night with a networking excursion and end at noon on Friday.

Click here to learn more and to register.

National Association of State Budget Officers

NAST Treasury Management Training Symposium.

National Association of State Treasurers (NAST) Treasury Management Training Symposium

May 23, 2019 – May 24, 2019 – Providence, Rhode Island

On May 23, 2019, join the MSRB for a town hall meeting to provide an opportunity for MSRB Board members and staff to hear directly from municipal market participants.

On May 24, 2019, MSRB Chief Education Officer Ritta McLaughlin and MSRB Market Transparency Director Leah Szarek will present the “3Cs of EMMA for Debt Managers.”

Register.

ReConnecting Rural Broadband - Strategies for Funding Success: CDFA Webinar

Friday, May 10, 2019 – 1:00 PM Eastern

-Overview
It's a well-known fact that rural communities often face crises of connectivity. They suffer from small economies of scale and lack the capacity to fund and operate broadband networks. Yet high-speed internet is necessary in the twenty-first century economy, so the funding gap must be bridged. In an attempt to address these issues, USDA Rural Development just issued a funding notice for a new program: the Rural e-Connectivity Pilot Program ("ReConnect"). The ReConnect Program joins a growing field of potential sources of capital for rural internet infrastructure projects. Join CDFA and experts from across the country as we discuss creative solutions for responding to ReConnect's funding notice, and discover additional creative methods of financing rural broadband infrastructure.

Click here to learn more and to register.

View Conference Sessions for GFOA's 113th Annual Conference.

GFOA's Annual Conference will include more than 75 concurrent sessions featuring leading practitioners, subject matter experts, and top researchers. Each session will contain a panel of speakers carefully selected to provide best practice guidance, discussion of current events, case studies, debate, etc.

Read more

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10 Years in Ports – Americas: Fitch Webiinar

Date: Thursday, April 25th, 2019
Time: 2:00 PM EDT

Fitch will host a webinar to discuss how ports have performed over the past decade, how this may change in the coming decade, and what challenges the sector faces going forward. This discussion will focus on trends in the Americas as well as globally.

Speakers:
Emma Griffith – Senior Director, Global Infrastructure Ratings
Isabella Magalhaes – Associate Director, Global Infrastructure Ratings

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Fitch's Response to First Circuit Court of Appeals Ruling on Special Revenue Protections.

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[P3 Policy and Delivery Summit in Washington D.C. May 14-15.]

One of the key events for the P3/infrastructure industry this year will be the P3 Policy and Delivery Summit, which is being held in Washington D.C. on May 14th and 15th. The Summit is taking place during, and in partnership with, Infrastructure Week, and is poised to attract industry leaders from the private sector and senior officials from federal, state, and local government. The event will be held at the Cosmos Club, a D.C. landmark listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Summit's focus is to analyze the respective roles of federal, state and local government in helping deliver world-class infrastructure across all sectors in the U.S. via P3s. The conference is particularly timely, given the imminent Infrastructure Bill, which it is hoped will move forward with bipartisan support. The program for the Summit has been developed in collaboration with DJ Gribbin, former Infrastructure Advisor to President Trump, and current Nonresident Senior Fellow, the Brookings Institution; Senior Operating Partner, Stonepeak Infrastructure Partners; and founder, Madrus, LLC.

In addition to Mr. Gribbin, keynote speakers include: Andrew Wheeler, Acting Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, Derek Kan, Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, Ryan Fisher, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works and Tim Petty, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, U.S. Department of Interior. The organizers are also anticipating having a member of the House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure as a keynote speaker.

Geoff Yarema, partner and co-founder of Nossaman's Infrastructure Practice Group, will be part of the event's closing panel "P3's–Past, Present, and Future" along with Robert Poole, Director of Transportation Policy for the Reason Foundation and Mike Parker, Americas Infrastructure Leader, EY Transaction Advisory Services.

Additional topics that will be covered at the Conference include:

- How should the financing burden be shared between federal, state and local governments?
- Reform of the Gas Tax – is it viable, and, if so, how?
- Harnessing P3 for airports

For more information on the event, you can visit the Summit website [here].

By Evan Caplicki on April 12, 2019

Nossaman LLP

[S&P Webcast Replay: Request for Comment: Issuer Credit Ratings Linked to U.S. Public Finance Obligors' Creditworthiness]

Mar. 28, 2019 | New York

S&P Global Ratings analysts from the U.S Public Finance and Methodologies teams held a live, interactive webcast on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, where they discussed the recently released Request for Comment: Issue Credit Ratings Linked to U.S. Public

Finance Obligors’ Creditworthiness.

View The Webcast Replay

S&P Extra Credit: What Makes Charter Schools Unique

Why does the charter school sector tend to have lower ratings than other sectors within USPF? Listen to Lisa Schroeer talk with Jessica Wood, Kaiti Wang and Luke Gildner about charter schools. We cover the sector broadly and then dive deeper into Colorado and California charter schools. We highlight trends, differences and similarities.

Listen to Audio

Mar. 25, 2019

Novogradac 2019 Opportunity Zones Spring Conference.

Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado ConvCtr | April 25, 2019 – 8:00am to April 26, 2019 – 12:00pm

We look forward to welcoming opportunity zones (OZ) stakeholders of all types to Denver for the Novogradac 2019 Opportunity Zones Spring Conference.

With the release of the first tranche of Treasury guidance on the OZ incentive and the expected release of a second tranche before April, we hope you take advantage of this conference to get the latest information on OZs, as well as make new contacts and renew existing relationships in Denver.

We encourage you to add your name to the list of the attendees at the Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center, where we will discuss a range of topics covering all dimensions of the OZ incentive, with information for developers, investors, government entities and anyone else in community development.

We’ve tailored the agenda to address the topics that are most important to those interested in the OZ incentive. Some of the topics that our expert panelists will address April 25-26 include:

- what is coming from the new session of Congress and how legislation could improve the OZ incentive,
- how opportunity fund sponsors view the market,
- how communities can capitalize on OZs,
- recommended practices to maximize the impact of OZs,
- and more.

We’ll also offer three tracks of panels on Thursday afternoon: In the first track we will cover significant organizational and operational matters on opportunity funds; in the second track we will cover hot topics around the various types of OZ businesses; and in the third track we will do a deep dive into technical tax aspects of the incentive.

Networking possibilities will be plentiful in Denver, where you can meet with leading professionals, including members of the Novogradac & Company LLP OZ practice, before and after each session. There also will be a networking reception Thursday evening.

Our hope is that the Novogradac 2019 Opportunity Zones Spring Conference will not only be educational and encouraging, but that you will leave Denver with knowledge and relationships that will help you continue to thrive in OZs for 2019 and beyond.

John Sciarretti, CPA | Conference Chairman

Click here to learn more and to register.

National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) Essentials Conference - Chicago

April 24, 2019 – April 26, 2019

MSRB staff will review the MSRB rules for bond lawyers and demonstrate EMMA tools that are essential for serving municipal market clients in Chicago, Illinois.

Register

CDFA Federal Policy Conference.

With the 116th Congress now in session, the time is ripe for a focused, national discussion on the federal development finance landscape. On **April 16-17 in Washington DC**, CDFA will host its **2019 CDFA Federal Policy Conference**, featuring development finance experts and practitioners from key federal agencies, congressional offices, and policy organizations. The CDFA Federal Policy Conference will highlight rural and urban financing programs, the Opportunity Zones incentive, programs for supporting small business development, as well as financing programs for infrastructure, energy, brownfields remediation, and water systems financing.

Conference panels and workshops will be led by our federal financing partners at the Departments of Housing and Urban Development, Agriculture, Transportation, and Treasury, as well as the Economic Development Administration, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Small Business Administration. Additionally, CDFA will highlight the development finance plans of key Congressional representatives from the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance.

Don’t miss this opportunity to unlock the federal financing toolbox in your community. The event will be held at the Washington Marriott Georgetown, and space is limited to the first 250 attendees – register early to secure your seat!

CDFA will hold its spring Capitol Hill Day on April 18. Attendance for Capitol Hill Day is optional, but all participants in the CDFA Federal Policy Conference are encouraged to attend.

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series: The Landscape of Mega Project Incentives

The Landscape of Mega Project Incentives | June 18, 2019 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

Mega projects are arguably the most fascinating developments that can be undertaken. From developers to average citizens, projects of such a grand scale attract the attention of everyone. In order to make development dreams become a reality, proposals call for public entities to solve myriad financing challenges. This trend has continued to show up in projects such as the new Foxconn plant in Wisconsin and Amazon’s recent decision on the location for HQ2. During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series, expert speakers will provide an in-depth overview on the approaches currently being used by cities, counties and states across the U.S. to attract mega projects.

Speakers will be announced soon.

Register

Fitch Webinar: State Revenue Trends after Review of Executive Budgets

March 21, 2019 at 2PM EST

Laura Porter will speak to Douglas Offerman and Eric Kim about the latest developments in state credit ratings. Topics will include revenue volatility related to last year’s federal tax changes, key themes in governors’ executive budget proposals, and an update on state pension issues. Plus we will have a live Q&A session to take on hot topics from the investor community.

Register Now.

View Conference Sessions for GFOA's 113th Annual Conference in Los Angeles.

GFOA’s Annual Conference will include more than 75 concurrent sessions featuring leading practitioners, subject matter experts, and top researchers. Each session will contain speakers carefully selected to provide best practice guidance, discussion of current events, case studies, debate, and interactive exercises.

View Conference Sessions.

Fitch On-Demand: How Prepared are California Credit for the Next Recession

California credits, specifically the state, counties and cities and school districts, are all better prepared to manage through the next economic downturn; however, some school districts throughout the state may feel its effects more acutely. Please join us as we discuss how prepared California credits are for the next recession.

Listen on Demand

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November 28, January 10, February 7, March 14, April 16, May 7

Monthly: 2:00 – 3:30 PM Eastern

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Click here to learn more and to register.

Register Today: NABL U Presents The Essentials

April 24-26, 2019 | Chicago, IL

The National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) invites you to register for The Essentials. Formerly known as The Fundamentals of Municipal Bond Law Seminar, The Essentials offers a comprehensive overview of the core areas of public finance. First-time bond lawyers and other market participants receive a straightforward introduction to core laws relevant to the practice, and attendees with multiple years of experience gain the broad expertise necessary for a full, sound practice in public finance. This conference is open to anyone, so you do not need to be a NABL member to attend. Repeat attendees are strongly encouraged to sign-up. In fact, repeat participants report substantial benefit from multiple years of this conference.

Check out The Essentials program and register here.

Registration Rates

$725 NABL Members and Federal/State/Local Government Officials/Employees

$1,325 Non-Members

GFOA Skills Building Workshop – Budget Development

Date and Time:
Mar 19 2019 – 8:30am to 4:30pm CDT
Mar 20 2019 – 8:30am to 4:30pm CDT
Mar 21 2019 – 8:30am to 4:30pm CDT

Location:
Chicago Office
203 N. LaSalle St Suite 2700
Chicago, IL 60601
(312) 977-9700

Member Price:
$900.00

Non-Member Price:
$1,200.00

Prerequisite:
Experience with local government budget process.

Speakers:
Craig Lesner – Senior Manager GFOA
Katie Ludwig – Senior Manager GFOA
Shayne Kavanagh – Senior Manager, Research GFOA

Who Will Benefit:
This training session is designed for experienced budget officers and budget analysts looking to improve technical skills of how to budget for various costs and revenues common to local government.

Program Description:
GFOA Skills Building Workshop – Budget Development is a three-day workshop that will walk participants through a typical budget development process, operating and capital, focusing on best practices and practical guides for how to address common challenges in budgeting. Specific focus will be on technical competencies of budgeting and how to apply skills and lessons learned while also incorporating GFOA best practices.

Starting with creating the timeline and budget calendar, this class walks through all the major steps to the budget including — budgeting for personnel costs, forecasting revenues, comparing financial data to other communities, the interaction between the operating and capital budgets, the do's and don'ts of balancing the budget and taking the budget to the elected board for approval.

While many of these components are covered in other GFOA sessions, this one focuses more on the technical aspects of the process as the content will provide a deeper dive in these areas than other courses.

Seminar Objectives:

- Build technical skills and practical approach for addressing common budget challenges
- Identify strategies for effective personnel budgeting
- Learn to accurately estimate costs for capital projects and correlate them with operating costs
- Identify pitfalls (and opportunities) for benchmarking
- Become familiar with nuances of revenue projections and forecasting
- Understand how to identify and apply budget balancing strategies
- Learn to avoid budget gimmicks and common pitfalls that move organizations away from achieving its long term objectives

Agenda: Download

Registration Form: Download

Hotel Form: Download

CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series: Opportunity Zones

March 8, June 27, August 22, and October 24, 2019 | 2:00 PM Eastern

The CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series: Opportunity Zones is an exclusive, four-part online offering that will convene finance experts, federal agencies, and local development finance practitioners to discuss how federal financing tools can be used to leverage the Opportunity Zones incentive. The series will highlight the variety of ways federal grants, loans, guarantees and credit enhancements can be used to attract greater investment in Opportunity Zones, with a particular emphasis on rural development, infrastructure projects, affordable housing, environmental remediation and small business development.

Federal agencies are actively considering ways they can support projects in Opportunity Zones and encourage Opportunity Fund investments into the most highly distressed areas around the country. CDFA is working hand-in-hand with many of these agencies as they consider the shape and scale of their involvement with Opportunity Zones, and CDFA encourages all stakeholders to participate in the webinars and bring project questions and ideas to our expert panelists.

- Opportunity Zones and Rural Development featuring USDA and EPA
- Opportunity Zones and Affordable Housing featuring HUD and USDA
- Opportunity Zones and Transportation featuring DOT and EDA
- Opportunity Zones and Small Business Development featuring SBA and EDA

The CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series: Opportunity Zones is a 4-part offering available throughout the year. Those interested in attending the series can register for individual webinars or the full webinar series as a package deal. CDFA recommends registering for the full webinar series initially to take advantage of the best available pricing. Webinars will be recorded and made available to all registered participants.

Click here to learn more and to register.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Seeks to Establish P3 Pilot Program - Webinar

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works has been directed to establish a public private partnership (P3) pilot program. There will be an information webinar **February 13, 2019 from 1400 – 1530 EST**.

To learn more, click here.

NCPPP

FEBRUARY 8, 2019

P3 Connect: Denver, CO

Denver, Colorado

May 15 – 16, 2019

Click here to learn more and to register.

National Center for Public Private Partnerships

CDFA EDA Revolving Loan Fund Webinar Series: Utilizing the Toolbox Approach

March 5, 2019 @ 2:00 PM Eastern

Hundreds of development finance programs exist at the federal, state, and local level. These programs have been created to address the financing needs of business, industry, real estate, housing, environmental and community development entities. Individually, none of these programs are a silver bullet solution to economic development challenges. The toolbox approach brings together the best of these financing concepts and techniques to provide a comprehensive response to capital and resource needs. Listen as our expert speakers discuss the various development finance tools that can be utilized to enhance the efforts of your Revolving Loan Fund.

Speakers:

Harry Allen, Moderator
Director, Research & Technical Assistance
Council of Development Finance Agencies

Toby Rittner
President & CEO
Council of Development Finance Agencies

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and open for all EDA RLF grantees.

Register Now

S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S. State and Local Government Outlooks

Jan. 15, 2019 | New York, NY

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View The Webcast Replay

S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S. Public Power and Electric Cooperative

Outlook

Jan. 30, 2019 | New York, NY

S&P Global Ratings U.S. Public Finance team held a live, interactive webcast on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time for a discussion on the U.S. Public Power and Electric Cooperative sector outlooks.

View The Webcast Replay

S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S. Municipal Housing Outlook

Feb. 6, 2019 | New York, NY

S&P Global Ratings' U.S. Public Finance Housing team held a live, interactive webcast on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time for a discussion on the U.S. Municipal Housing sector outlook.

View The Webcast Replay

S&P Webcast Replay: Green Evaluations in the North American Water Utilities Sector

Nov. 12, 2018 | New York

S&P Global Ratings leading analysts' from the Sustainable Finance team held a live interactive webcast on Monday, November 14, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, where they provided an analytical overview and examples of S&P Global Rating's Green Evaluations completed for water utilities.

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S&P Webcast Replay: Green Evaluations: Airports

Nov. 7, 2018 | New York

S&P Global Ratings analysts from the Sustainable Finance team held a live, interactive webcast on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, where they provided an analytical overview and shared examples of S&P Global Rating's Green Evaluations completed at airports.

View The Webcast Replay

Webcast Replay: Priority-Lien Tax Revenue Debt - Final Criteria

Oct. 25, 2018 | New York

S&P Global Ratings held a live, interactive webcast on Thursday, October 25 at 12:00 p.m. to discuss our recently released final criteria for Priority-Lien Tax Revenue Debt. We covered the final criteria in detail, the potential impact on outstanding ratings, and changes from the RFC.

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IRS Reschedules Public OZ Hearing for February 14.

Read the IRS notice.

Novogradac 2019 Opportunity Zones Spring Conference.

Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado ConvCtr
April 25, 2019 – 8:00am to April 26, 2019 – 12:00pm

In these information-packed days you'll get:

- Exclusive updates on strategy
- Insights into organizational solutions
- Thought leadership on key trends that are shaping the industry
- Exciting networking events

Network with Organization Executives

During the conference you will hear from and be able to network with Novogradac's senior executives alongside our valued co-hosts and sponsors, which are industry-leading companies.

Please complete the online registration form to confirm your attendance and don't forget to book your hotel.

Register

Please recheck the site regularly to view any updates.

We look forward to seeing you!

Novogradac Events Team

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National Association of State Treasurers (NAST) 2019 Legislative Conference.

February 10, 2019 – February 12, 2019

MSRB board members and staff will discuss "three burning questions" at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Click here to learn more and to register.

S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 Global Not-for-Profit Higher Education Outlook

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Save the Date: Upcoming BDA Infrastructure Events

As the 116th Congress kicks off in early 2019, attention will turn to major policy initiatives that were unfinished in the previous session and at the top of this priority list will be infrastructure.

The BDA is planning events in the coming months to further its position as a thought leader on infrastructure finance – from a Main Street perspective. As key details continue to emerge, the BDA will provide updates.

Background
The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee released a discussion draft this summer, outlining at a very high-level, priorities for a future package. A focus of the draft was innovative financing mechanisms, including public-private partnerships. The BDA views this as an opportunity to advance member priorities: PAB's, advance refundings and continued protection of tax-exempt municipal bonds.

These events will not only help drive the narrative for the need of a sweeping infrastructure overhaul but allow the BDA to position itself as a policy expert for this discussion.

Continue reading.

Bond Dealers of America

January 24, 2019

S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S. Municipal Water Utilities Outlook

Our US Public Finance utility and infrastructure team held a live, interactive webcast on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (11:00 a.m. Pacific Standard Time) where our analysts provided their views on the challenges and opportunities municipal water and sewer utilities will face in 2019. Will there be a federal infrastructure package? Any new environmental rulemaking? What about WIFIA, affordability and climate change.

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S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S. Transportation Infrastructure Outlook

S&P Global Ratings analysts from the U.S. Public Finance Transportation team held a live interactive webcast on Thursday, January 24 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, where they provided their views on the 2019 Transportation Infrastructure Outlook credit outlook.

View The Event Materials

S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S.Not-for-Profit Charter School Outlook

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S&P Webcast Replay: 2019 U.S. Not-for-Profit Health Care Outlook

S&P Global Ratings analysts from the Not-For-Profit Health Care team held a live interactive webcast on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, 11:00 a.m. San Francisco, where they provided their views on the latest industry credit outlook for the U.S. Not-Fo--Profit Health Care Sector.

View The Webcast Replay

NASBO 2019 Spring Meeting.

April 4-5 | Philadelphia, PA

Click here to view the agenda.

Click here to register.

National Association of State Budget Officers

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SEC, MSRB and FINRA Postpone February 7 Compliance Outreach Program for Municipal Advisors.

Due to the federal government shutdown, the SEC, MSRB and FINRA have postponed the Compliance Outreach Program for Municipal Advisors on February 7 in San Francisco. A new date will be announced at a later time.

Realizing the Best of Both Worlds: An Engaged Workforce and More Satisfied Citizens - GFOA Webinar

GFOA has been researching ways to engage public finance employees in the workplace. With the release of our report, GFOA will host a webinar to share findings from our research so you can create a positive culture, build trust with employees, and provide meaningful growth opportunities.

Join us on **February 14**, to learn more.

Register Today!

S&P U.S. Public Finance Sector Outlook Webcasts Scheduled.

NEW YORK (S&P Global Ratings) Jan. 7, 2019 — S&P Global Ratings will host eight webcasts over the next month focusing on the outlooks for individual sectors. In advance of each event we plan to publish individual sector outlook reports.

To register for any of the webcasts, please go to www.spratings.com/events. Registration is free.

The schedule is:

- Jan. 15 – States and local governments
- Jan. 17 – Not-for-profit health care
- Jan. 22 – Not-for-profit charter schools
- Jan. 23 – Municipal water utilities
- Jan. 24 – Transportation infrastructure
- Jan. 30 – Public power and electric cooperatives
- Jan. 31 – Not-for-profit higher education
- Feb. 6 – Municipal housing.

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Register For This Webcast

S&P Live Webcast: 2019 U.S. Municipal Housing Outlook

Feb. 6, 2019 | New York, NY

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Register For This Webcast

State & Local Government: Effective Reporting Through XBRL Financial Data Standards

Start Date: 1/23/2019 2:00 PM EST
End Date: 1/23/2019 3:00 PM EST

Free Webinar Hosted by XBRL US

REGISTER NOW!

Can XBRL financial data standards increase efficiency in state and local government reporting? Join representatives from XBRL US and NASACT on **January 23 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time** to find out.

Thousands of U.S. state and local governments produce annual financial reports, but the lack of standards makes it difficult to aggregate data and compare government entities. Financial data standards could improve efficiency by rendering reported data computer-readable and fully automated.

Attend this free 60-minute webinar to learn how standards can help comptrollers, auditors, and treasurers, as well as end users of municipal data including investors and credit rating agencies. Find out how you can get involved.

Speakers include:

- R. Kinney Poynter, CPA, NASACT Executive Director
- John Reidhead, CPA, Director, State of Utah, Division of Finance
- Shannon Sohl, CPA, Ph.D., Sr. Research Associate – Northern Illinois University's Center for Governmental Studies
- Marc Joffe, Chair, XBRL US State and Local Disclosure Modernization Working Group; Senior Policy Analyst, Reason Foundation
- Michelle Savage, Vice President, Communication, XBRL US

This event is being hosted by XBRL US and is free to attend, with an option to participate and earn 1 CPE for $49 ($39 NASACT and XBRL US Members) – look for details in the registration confirmation. NASACT members can use the discount code NASACT member.

Questions should be directed to Michelle Savage at XBRL US by email or (917) 747-1714.

Fitch: What To Watch in 2019 Webinar Series

Please register to join Fitch for the What to Watch Webinar Series on the following dates and times:

- US Public Finance Health Care
  Wednesday, January 9th at 11:00am EST
- States and Local Governments
  Wednesday, January 9th at 2:00pm EST
- Utilities: Public Power – Water & Sewer
  Friday, January 11th at 11:00am EST
- US Municipal Transportation
  Friday, January 11th at 2:00pm EST

CDFA EDA Revolving Loan Fund Webinar Series: Staffing and Day to Day Management Approaches

Staffing and Day to Day Management Approaches
January 22, 2019 @ 2:00 PM Eastern

Staffing a Revolving Loan Fund requires a team of financial specialists and dedicated sources of revenue. In one approach – best for funds issuing a higher volume of loans – each team member is responsible for a different stage of the lending process. An alternative approach assigns each loan to an individual who monitors it from beginning to end. Revenue sources can be diverse, but generally staff are supported by the interest charged on loans. Listen as our expert speakers discuss strategies for developing RLF staff and implementing effective management policies.

Speakers will be announced soon.

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and open for all EDA RLF grantees.

Register Now

MSRB Webinar on New Price Variance Feature on RTRS Web.

January 18, 2019 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM ET

During this free webinar, representatives of the MSRB will discuss a new feature in RTRS Web that identifies price variances.

Register.

CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series: Analyzing Public-Private Partnership Legislation

Analyzing Public-Private Partnership Legislation
January 29, 2019 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

Public-Private Partnerships (P3) are being used more and more frequently throughout the U.S. to increase public capacity and decrease the risk, and often the timeline involved in completing a project. Each P3 is truly unique, but many public agencies have entered into a P3 structure for projects such as water, energy, and/or transportation. Before entering into a P3 it's important to understand your state's authorizing legislation.

During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series, expert speakers will highlight various successful P3 state statutes across the U.S. and generally what they allow for.

Speakers:

David White, Moderator
Vice President of Business Development
The Bank of New York Mellon

Hilary Jackler
Partner
Kutak Rock LLP

Register

Disclosure Changes: Be Prepared for New SEC Requirements - GFOA Webinar

Date and Time: Jan 9 2019 – 2:00pm to 4:00pm EST

Member Price:
$25.00

Non-Member Price:
$95.00

Speakers:

- Emily S. Brock – Director, GFOA
- Peg Henry – Deputy General Counsel, Stifel Financial Corp.
- Alexandra M. MacLennan – Partner, Squire Patton Boggs LLP

Who Will Benefit:
All GFOA members and members of the public interested in gaining knowledge of the of industry best practices in regard to the new amendments governing the disclosure requirements associated with municipal securities.

Program Description:
The new Amendments to SEC Rule 15c2-12, effective February 27, 2019, are an effort to provide additional financial information to investors where an issuer may have material financial obligations that could impact bond holders. Governments will have to state in continuing disclosure agreements entered on or after the effective date that they will disclose to the market any new and material financial obligations and notify the market when an outstanding or new financial obligation reflects material financial difficulties. Throughout this course, instructors will discuss GFOA and industry best practices to ensure issuers are prepared for the new requirements.

Seminar Objectives:
Those who successfully complete this seminar should be able to:

- interpret the new amendments
- understand the industry professionals' function and recommendations for implementation
- explore improved policies and procedures to ensure effective implementation

Download Registration Form.

Register Online.

2019 FINRA/MSRB/SEC Municipal Advisor Outreach Program.

February 7, 2019 | 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM PT

Join the MSRB, SEC, and FINRA in San Francisco for an open forum on regulatory and compliance issues for municipal advisory industry professionals.

Register here.

113th Government Finance Officers of America Annual Conference Registration is Open!

The conference will take place on May 19-22, 2019, at the Los Angeles Convention Center.

Take advantage of member, early, and group discounted registration fees. Maximize your CPE credits by coming to Los Angeles a day or two early for GFOA’s preconference seminars. Learn more, including how to apply for a first-time attendee scholarship.

Register Today!

Moody's Webinar: 2019 US Local Governments and Municipal Utilities Outlooks

Thursday, 13-Dec-2018 | 2:00 PM EST / 11:00 AM PST

Moody’s Investors Service will host a webinar on Thursday, December 13, 2018 to discuss our recently published 2019 US Local Governments and US Water and Sewer Utilities outlooks. Learn our view of these sectors over the next 12-18 months as local governments and municipal utilities overall continue to demonstrate stability.

Discussion Topics

• Local government revenue growth expectations
• Challenges for local governments, including rising pension costs, cuts in state aid, exposure to federal policy shifts, climate shocks, and changing demographics
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Growing revenue expectations for municipal utilities
• Outlooks for municipal utilities’ rate of capital investment in infrastructure

Speakers

• Leonard Jones, Managing Director, US Local Governments (Moderator)
• Sam Feldman-Crough, Analyst, US Local Governments
• Ryan Patton, Associate Lead Analyst 1, US Local Governments

This discussion will last approximately 60 minutes and will include a Q&A session.

Register.

S&P U.S. Public Finance State & Local Government Credit Forum, New York

Jan. 10, 2019 | New York

S&P Global Ratings U.S. Public Finance team invites you to join us for our 2019 State and Local Government credit forum, January 10th in New York City.

Register For This Event

Financing Economic Recovery in the Wake of Disaster: CDFA Webinar

November 14, 2018 | 2:00 – 4:00 PM Eastern

Over the last 40 years, the worldwide incidence of severe weather and natural disasters has increased dramatically. In the U.S., natural disasters as a consequence of extreme weather patterns have grown in frequency, and communities around the country are left grappling with ways to rebuild their damaged infrastructure in the aftermath of hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, wildfires, and drought. In this CDFA webinar, you'll learn from experienced development finance practitioners how to finance the recovery and redevelopment of communities following a disaster, as well as the types of finance tools available to communities on the federal, state, and local level.

Click here to learn more and to register.

Financing Broadband Infrastructure: CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series

Tuesday, November 20, 2018 | 1:00 PM Eastern

With more Americans accessing the internet each year, and an increasing reliance on internet access for employers, citizens, and systems alike, having the necessary infrastructure in place to support this demand is critical. As we begin to plan and forecast how to provide the necessary broadband infrastructure needed in cities across the U.S., it is important to keep in mind its inherent complexity. From physical construction to long-term low-cost operational issues and ownership structures, broadband is often one of the most difficult pieces of infrastructure to finance. During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series, we will learn about some of the various financing options & ownership structures available to communities to provide and increase the quality of broadband infrastructure in the U.S.

Click here to learn more and to register.

Understanding Tax Credit Unwinds: CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series

December 18, 2018 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

Federal tax credit programs are growing in popularity as the development world seeks more investment opportunities. A critical component of these tax credits is understanding what to do when the compliance period ends. How do parties structure these unwinds? What should be the considerations for parties as they negotiate these transactions? When should you start thinking about an exit strategy? During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series, we will hear from expert speakers on how to structure tax credit unwinds for New Markets Tax Credit and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit deals.

Speakers:

Rena Nakashima, Moderator
Senior Product Manager
The Bank of New York Mellon

Lilliian Plata
Co-Founder and Member
Nee Plata Law LLC

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and open to all interested stakeholders.

Register

Webinar on Amended SEC Rule 15c2-12 and EMMA®

January 17, 2019 | 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM ET

In coordination with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) and the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)

During this free webinar, representatives of the MSRB, SEC, NABL and GFOA will discuss the February 2019 amendments to the SEC Rule 15c2-12 on municipal securities disclosure and related changes to the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA®) website.

Click here to register.

GASB'S Preliminary Views on Financial Reporting Model Improvements and Soon-To-Be-Released Implementation Guides: NASACT Webinar

Start Date: 1/24/2019 2:00 PM EST
End Date: 1/24/2019 3:50 PM EST

Organization Name: NASACT

Contact:
Pat Hackney
Email: phackney@nasact.org
Phone: (859) 276-1147

Cost:
$299 per group (unlimited attendance)
$50 for one individual
$25 for one individual if no CPE required

Overview:

This webinar will cover GASB's recently released *Preliminary Views on Recognition of Elements of Financial Statements*. Specific topics covered include:

- Recognition concepts and application for governmental funds, including alternative views
- Presentation of governmental fund financial statements
- Presentation of proprietary fund financial statements
- Budgetary comparison information schedule
- Communication of major component unit information
- Schedule of government-wide expenses by natural classification

Soon-to-be-released Implementation Guides on *Fiduciary Activities* and the 2018-2019 *Comprehensive Implementation Guide* will also be covered during this informative webinar.

Don't miss this opportunity to stay current on these important GASB projects!

Register.

2019 Conservation Finance Boot Camp.

Monday, June 24 2019 – 6:00am to Friday, June 28 2019 – 10:00am

CFN is pleased to announce our 13th annual Conservation Finance Boot Camp will be held June 24-28th, 2019, at Portland State University in Portland, OR. The Boot Camp is a week-long, intensive training course to help mid-career professionals utilize innovative and effective financing strategies for land and resource conservation, restoration, and stewardship.

Each year, our Boot Camp accepts 30 participants. The application form will be posted and open on this page from January 15th – February 15th, 2019. Please take some time to review the questions and prepare your answers ahead of time before filling out the live application form. It is best to type out your responses to the essay questions in a separate document and copy and paste them into the application form.

For more information, please refer to our frequently asked questions:

Who should apply?
Mid-career professionals integrating conservation finance into their land and resource conservation work, including (but not limited to) land trust and NGO professionals, public agency professionals, foundation officers, board members, private sector investors, business executives, legal counselors, and academics. Applicants who are starting or currently working on conservation finance projects that they are interested in having workshopped by peers and presenters at the course are strongly encouraged to apply. We do not generally accept current students, given the applied nature of the course.

When will I hear back?
We will communicate decisions in March. After the first round of decisions is made, we may re-open applications in the case that we have remaining seats in the course.

How are decisions made?

Applicants are selected based on a combination of factors including the applicability of course content to their work, a demonstrated intent to apply what they learn, and cohort balance and composition.

Is there a waitlist?
Yes, if there is sufficient interest. When decisions are made, we will give selected applicants the option to be added to the waitlist.

What are the costs of attending?
Tuition is $2000 plus a small processing fee, which includes all local transportation and meals. Attendees are responsible for covering costs associated with lodging and transportation to/from the course.

Are scholarships available?
Tuition scholarships may be made available for applicants whose organizations demonstrate financial need. There will be a question in the application to detail your need for a scholarship.

Is the course open to applicants outside the United States?
We are happy to welcome participants who bring an international perspective to our course and have had many non-US attendees. However, we would like to note that the course content is based on the U.S. legal code and that we primarily draw upon domestic case studies and examples. Although some topics may be analogous to international projects, we cannot guarantee the tools and strategies covered in the source will be directly applicable to your work.

If you have further questions, please reach out to Allegra Wrocklage at awrocklage@conservation-finance.org.

S&P Live Webcast and Q&A: Green Evaluations in the North American Water Utilities Sector

Nov. 12, 2018 | New York

Please join our leading S&P Global Ratings analysts from the Sustainable Finance team for a live interactive webcast on Monday, November 12, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, where they will provide an analytical overview and examples of S&P Global Rating's Green Evaluations completed for water utilities.

Register For This Webcast

NFMA Advanced Seminar on P3s and Infrastructure.

The National Federation of Municipal Analysts will hold an Advanced Seminar on P3s and Infrastructure on on **January 31 and February 1, 2019** at the LINE Austin, Austin, Texas.

To view the program, click here.

To register, click here.

S&P Live Webcast and Q&A: Green Evaluations: Airports

Nov. 7, 2018 | New York

Please join our leading S&P Global Ratings analysts from the Sustainable Finance team for a live interactive webcast on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, where they will provide an analytical overview and examples of S&P Global Rating's Green Evaluations completed at airports.

Register For This Webcast

S&P 2018 U.S. Public Finance Credit Forum, San Francisco

Nov. 28, 2018 | San Francisco, CA

We are pleased to invite you to our 2018 U.S. Public Finance Credit Forum on Wednesday, November 28th in San Francisco. S&P Global Ratings senior analysts will share their views, answer questions and engage in discussions focused on all major sector's credit trends and outlooks for 2018-19.

Register For This Event

CDFA Texas Webinar: The Latest on Opportunity Zones

December 04, 2018 | 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Central

Register Now

Registration Opens for CPE Webinar: GASB Preliminary Views, Financial Reporting Model Improvements.

Norwalk, CT, October 16, 2018 — Registration is now open for an upcoming webinar that will provide an overview of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's recently issued Preliminary Views (PV), *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*. The PV is intended to elicit feedback from stakeholders on the Board's current thinking regarding targeted improvements to the financial reporting model.

IN FOCUS: GASB Preliminary Views, Financial Reporting Model Improvements, will take place on **Wednesday, November 7, 2018**, from 2:00 to 3:40 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Participants in the live webinar (which is offered free of charge) will be eligible for up to 2 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) credit (participants are encouraged to preregister). (CPE credit is not available for group viewing of the live broadcast.)

The webinar will feature, Roberta Reese, GASB senior project manager; Lisa Parker, GASB senior project manager; Scott Reeser, GASB supervising project manager; Jacqueline Roberts, GASB postgraduate technical assistant; and Christian Romanelli, GASB postgraduate technical assistant. Dean Mead, GASB senior research manager, will moderate the webinar. Areas covered will include:

1. Recognition concepts and application for governmental funds, including alternative views
2. Presentation of governmental fund financial statements
3. Presentation of proprietary fund financial statements
4. Budgetary comparison information schedule
5. Communication of major component unit information
6. Schedule of government-wide expenses by natural classification
7. Audience question-and-answer session.

Participants will have the opportunity to email questions to the panelists during the event.

An archive of the webinar will be available on the GASB website after the live event. (CPE credit will not be available to those who view only the archived webinar).

For more information about the webinar, visit www.gasb.org.

Compliance Workshop on MSRB Rules G-21 and G-40: Advertising by Dealers and Municipal Advisors.

November 08, 2018 | 3 PM – 4 PM ET

During this free virtual compliance workshop, MSRB staff will conduct an in-depth discussion about key provisions of MSRB Rule G-21, on advertising by dealers, and MSRB Rule G-40, on advertising by municipal advisors. This workshop will follow a question-and-answer format based on questions and suggestions from regulated entities and other stakeholders.

Register.

CDFA EDA Revolving Loan Fund Webinar Series: Solutions for Revolving Loan Fund Servicing

October 16, 2018 @ 2:00 PM Eastern

Awarding the loan is just the beginning of a longer process. In order to be successful, RLF staff must maintain regular communication with the borrower and provide ongoing loan servicing. Many RLFs have found success in building partnerships with professional lending institutions to manage their loan servicing while others prefer to maintain the servicing in-house. Listen as our expert speakers discuss options for loan servicing and best practices for choosing the right fit based on your RLF portfolio.

As a part of this webinar CDFA is conducting a brief survey to learn servicing structures used by EDA RLF peers. All information collected will be presented in aggregate during the webinar.

[Contribute to the Survey]

Speakers:

Harry Allen, Moderator
Coordinator, Research & Technical Assistance
Council of Development Finance Agencies

Amanda Ruark
Loan Officer
Buffalo Trace Area Development District

Amir Kirkwood
First Vice President, Community Banking
Amalgamated Bank

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and is open to all interested stakeholders.

[Register]

NCPPP Integrated Water and Stormwater Management Symposium.

An In-Depth Exploration of the Nation’s Water Management Challenges

November 1 | Washington, D.C.

Click here to learn more and to register.

National Center for Public Private Partnerships

S&P U.S. Public Finance Credit Forum - Charlotte

Oct. 23, 2018 | Charlotte, NC

Please join the U.S. Public Finance team for our inaugural Charlotte U.S. Public Finance Credit Forum on Tuesday, October 23, 2018.

Register For This Event

FASB and GASB to Cohost IN FOCUS: Not-for-Profit and Governmental Accounting Webcast for Academics

Date: Thursday, October 11, 2018
Time: 1:00–2:40 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time

News Release | Course Description and Registration

S&P Higher Education Hot Topics - Chicago

Oct. 11, 2018 | Chicago, IL

Please join S&P Global Ratings for a discussion based forum focused on current trends and risk in the U.S. higher education sector. These forums will be held in Boston, Chicago and New York.

Register For This Event

S&P Higher Education Hot Topics - Boston

Oct. 3, 2018 | Boston, MA

Please join S&P Global Ratings for a discussion based forum focused on current trends and risk in the U.S. higher education sector. These forums will be held in Boston, Chicago and New York.

Register For This Event

S&P Higher Education Hot Topics - New York

Oct. 4, 2018 | New York, NY

Please join S&P Global Ratings for a discussion based forum focused on current trends and risk in the U.S. higher education sector. These forums will be held in Boston, Chicago and New York.

Register For This Event

GFOA's 3rd Annual Better Budgeting Web-Stream Event.

Sign up for GFOA's 3rd Annual Better Budgeting web-stream event! This year's event will take place as a three-part series. Each course is a separate topic (Creating a Budget Aligned with Community Priorities 10/4/18, Budget Monitoring 10/11/18, and Building a Better Budget Office 10/25/18) and stand-alone session.

Tax Increment Finance (TIF) - Innovation & Trends

September 18, 2018 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

The results of TIF have been compelling since its inception as a development finance tool. Lending itself to flexibility and creativity, TIF has perennially supported diverse projects across diverse communities throughout the U.S. During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series, expert speakers will share the latest updates in TIF, discuss interactions between cities and other taxing bodies when developing a TIF district together, and explore the innovative ways communities are utilizing this tool to meet their ever-changing needs.

Speakers:

Rena Nakashima, Moderator
Senior Product Manager
The Bank of New York Mellon

Alan Ferguson
Senior Vice President, Community Development
InvestAtlanta

Fran Rood
Senior Vice President
SB Friedman

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and open to all interested stakeholders.

[Register](#)

[Arizona Opportunity Zones & Opportunity Funds Conference.](#)

September 27, 2018 | Tempe, AZ

[Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

[Recap: BDA Institutional Fixed Income Roundtable August 16th, Chicago, IL](#)

On Thursday, August 16th over 50 fixed income leaders from BDA member firms attended BDA's Institutional Fixed Income Roundtable at the Four Seasons Hotel in Chicago, IL. Attendees heard from taxable and municipal market experts, engaged in active discussions on fixed income market structure and the SEC's focus, municipal market trends, and business conditions and opportunities in 2018 and enjoyed a cocktail and networking reception.

A recap of the key issues discussed at each session is below.

Hedging the Muni Market:

Discussion Leader: Ron Valinoti, Triangle Park Capital Markets Data; John Coleman, R.J. O'Brein

- Provided an update on the Municipal Spread Futures Contract
- Discussed the transition of the Contract from a LIBOR-based curve to a Treasury-based taxable component
- Discussed measures to ensure the MBIS' Curve Construction/Methodology Processes are compliant with IOSCO
- Provided an update on the dialogue being conducted with an Exchange
- You can review the presentation materials here.

Fixed Income Market Structure:

Discussion Leaders: Kevin McPartland, Greenwich Associates; Horace Carter, Raymond James; Matt Andresen, Headland Tech Global Markets

- Greenwich's recent survey of BDA members
- Discussed recent actions by SEC's FIMSAC Committee
- Debated the future of electronic trading
- Update on current buy-side trends

Municipal Market Trends:

Discussion Leader: Tom Kozlik, PNC Capital Markets

- Volume: Did predictions come true? What has happened so far, what is likely to happen the rest of the year, what about next year?
- Status of the buyers: are tax cuts and higher rates driving mutual fund, insurer, and bank demand
- Continued threat to the Tax Exemption and future of Advance Refundings
- Next phase of municipal bond market credit

Business Conditions, Opportunities, and Expectations:

Discussion Leaders: Brian Brennan, KeyBank Capital Markets; Brad Winges, Piper Jaffray; Don Winton, Crews & Associates

- Less new issuances in a higher interest environment
- Aging sales workforce
- Younger generation relying on technology instead of sale force
- Liquidity issues

Bond Dealers of America

August 21, 2018

NFMA Advanced Seminar on the Impact of ESG & Resiliency Issues on Credit Analysis.

Registration is open for the NFMA's Advanced Seminar on The Impact of ESG & Resiliency Issues on Credit Analysis, to be held at the Westin Copley Place, **Boston, on October 11 & 12**.

To view the program, click here.

To register, click here.

CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series: Climate Change - Financing Resilient Infrastructure

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 | 1:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

Opportunity Zones: Maximizing Impact in Your Community

September 5-6, 2018 | Washington, DC

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA Announces Opportunity Zones Conference.

Opportunity Zones: Maximizing Impact in Your Community

September 5-6, 2018 | Washington, DC

Click here to learn more and to register.

GFOA: 23rd Annual Governmental GAAP Update

Registration is open for GFOA's 23rd Annual Governmental GAAP Update web-Stream event. Enjoy all the benefits of the highest quality continuing professional education without the times and expense of travel. Sign up with your colleagues and take advantage of special group rates!

Click here to learn more and to register.

Toll Roads: 10 Years in Infrastructure - Fitch Teleconference

Please join senior Fitch analysts in a teleconference discussion on US Toll Roads **Thursday, July 19th at 11am EDT**.

This follows the publication of our recent report: Toll Roads – 10 Years in Infrastructure

Click here to register.

S&P Live Webcast and Q&A: US Public Finance: Transportation Sector Update

Jul. 19, 2018 | New York

Please join S&P Global Ratings analysts from the US Public Finance Transportation Infrastructure team for a live interactive webcast on Thursday, July 19th at 1:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. Topics of discussion include an update of the Sector Outlook, and an overview of how transportation ratings have fared under updated criteria released in March 2018.

View The Event Materials

CDFA California Conference.

September 18, 2018 | Los Angeles, CA

Join the CDFA California Financing Roundtable for a special one-day conference. This event will feature a number of economic development finance experts from around the state discussing development finance tools, authorities, resources and approaches, and how these can affect the California economy going forward.

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA Ohio Conference.

September 25, 2018 | Columbus, OH

Join the CDFA Ohio Financing Roundtable for a special one-day conference that will cover bonds, TIF, tax credits and energy, redevelopment and small business finance. This event will feature a number of economic development finance experts from around the state discussing development finance tools, authorities, resources and approaches, and how these can affect the Ohio economy going forward.

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series: Climate Change - Financing Resilient Infrastructure.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 | 1:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

New Riffs on TIFs: Lessons in Innovative Financing from Detroit

Wed, Jul 11, 2018 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PDT

Detroit, Michigan has been using Tax Increment Financing (TIF) for 40 years to finance the redevelopment of a variety of properties and spur economic development across the city. Despite the use of this powerful tool and a local economy on the rebound, the redevelopment of many iconic buildings and properties in Detroit has not been economically viable. Learn how the City of Detroit and Bedrock Detroit/Quicken Loans have addressed these barriers by working to "supercharge" TIF and maintain a robust public process to create transformational redevelopment projects for the City of Detroit and the State of Michigan.

Click here to register.

Fitch Exposure Draft: Public Power Rating Criteria.

Thursday, June 28, 2018 | 11:00am EDT

Please join Fitch Ratings on a teleconference to discuss the planned changes to the rating criteria for Public Power bonds.

Speaker: Dennis Pidherny – *Managing Director, Group Head, Public Power*

Register Now

Webinar: Emerging Metrics for Physical Climate Risks Disclosures.

This Four Twenty Seven webinar on emerging metrics and best practices for physical climate risks and opportunities disclosures covers recent developments in TCFD and Article 173 reporting, challenges to assessing climate risk exposure, strategies for investors to incorporate this information into decision-making and approaches to build corporate resilience.

Speakers

1. Emilie Mazzacurati, Founder and CEO, presents key findings from the EBRD-GCECA report: *Advancing TCFD guidance on physical climate risks* and opportunities and emerging best practices in physical risk reporting.
2. Nik Steinberg, Director of Analytics, shares challenges and approaches for using climate data for business decisions.
3. Frank Freitas, Chief Development Officer, discusses corporate engagement opportunities for investors and approaches to integrating climate change into investment strategies.
4. Yoon Kim, Director of Advisory Services, shares examples of innovation in corporate resilience-building.

Click here to watch the webinar.

BLX/Orrick 6th Annual Post-Issuance Compliance Workshop.

BLX AND ORRICK will be hosting our **6th Annual Post-Issuance Compliance Workshop** on October 25 & 26 at the Vdara Hotel & Spa in Las Vegas!

Click here to register and for more information.

NASACT Webinar: GASB Review 2018

National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers

July 18 | 2:00 – 4:00 PM EDT

NASACT is pleased to announce the latest in its series of training events addressing timely issues in government accounting, auditing and financial management.

As fiscal year-end for most state governments quickly approaches and a new year begins, it's an opportune time for financial statement preparers and auditors to get a refresher on standards that will be effective for June 30, 2018, financial statements, as well as recently released GASB statements that will require attention in fiscal year 2019.

This webinar will provide "must know" guidance on previously-issued GASB statements that are effective for June 30, 2018 and 2019.

CLICK to see full event details.

NASACT

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CDFA Summer School.

August 6-10, 2018 | Pittsburgh, PA

CDFA Summer School is a week long series of courses presented by the CDFA Training Institute. CDFA Summer School will offer five different training courses at the Renaissance Pittsburgh Hotel, in Pittsburgh, PA. Learn from our expert practitioners and experience CDFA's most interactive educational event of the year live in Pittsburgh.

All courses at CDFA Summer School qualify for the CDFA Training Institute's Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program. Participants may register for one, two, or three courses during this week-long event. Complete three courses, and you will have fulfilled half of the requirements for the DFCP Program. Join us in Pittsburgh, and start down the road to personal and professional advancement today.

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA EDA Revolving Loan Fund Webinar Series: Strategies for Addressing Non-Performance and Loan Defaults

Strategies for Addressing Non-Performance and Loan Defaults

August 14, 2018 @ 2:00 PM Eastern

Successful RLF programs always make every attempt to craft a good loan. Some businesses, though, will inevitably struggle to repay. How your fund handles loans and borrowers during this difficult period can help minimize losses and maximize recovery. As part of the CDFA EDA RLF Best Practices Program, this webinar will highlight a variety of corrective action strategies and proactive approaches that can successfully reduce defaults.

Speakers will be announced soon.

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and is open to all interested stakeholders.

Register

CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

August 16, 2018 | 2:00 PM Eastern

In this webinar, experts on EPA financing programs will give a thorough overview of the financing options the EPA provides to support brownfields redevelopment and the development of water infrastructure. CDFA will place a specific emphasis on the various EPA Brownfields Grant Programs, including Brownfields Assessment Grants, Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grants, and Brownfields Cleanup Grants, as well as the financing offered through the Water Infrastructure Finance And Innovation Act (WIFIA).

Register Now

Register Now for GFOA Leading Resilient Communities Event.

Attend this two-day conference to learn more about building and leading resilient communities and GFOA’s new Financial Sustainability Framework.…

Click here to learn more and to register.

BDA's 10th Annual National Fixed Income Conference is Open for Registration.

When: October 25-26, 2018
Where: Four Seasons Hotel, Washington, DC

Click here to learn more and to register.

May 22, 2018

S&P Live Webcast: U.S. Charter Schools Fiscal Medians Webcast

Jun. 14, 2018 | New York, NY

Please join our leading S&P Global Ratings analysts from the Charter School team for a live interactive webcast on **Thursday, June 14th at 2:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time**, where they will provide their views on the sector's fiscal 2017 financial medians and general trends in the sector.

Register For This Webcast

What Municipal Analysts Need to Know about Governmental Accounting.

May 23, 2018 | New York, NY

OVERVIEW

SIFMA has partnered with MAGNY and GASB's Dean Mead to provide an educational seminar on the rules that state and local governments follow when accounting for and reporting their finances.

During this in-depth discussion, participants can expect to hear:

- The basics from the perspectives of the financial statement analyst
- How the accounting standards affect the information that analysts receive
- The significant new changes to government financial reports
- Registration includes a copy of the updated "An Analyst's Guide to Government Financial Statements", 3rd Edition (published March 2018), which will serve as the text for the session.

Click here to learn more and to register.

Orrick Webinar: Advance Refunding Substitutes and Related Issues.

The recent tax law changes generally eliminated the ability to issue tax-exempt bonds to advance refund outstanding bonds. Are there substitute structures that can be used without further IRS or Treasury guidance to achieve some of the same results? What about advance refunding taxable bonds and build America bonds under current law? What are the considerations for structuring new bonds in light of the change in law?

Please join Orrick’s tax and bond lawyers for a discussion about certain of the options that are available to municipal issuers and borrowers, including the tax and securities law issues for new and revitalized financing tools and techniques and important issues for investment bankers and financial advisors.

Watch the webinar.

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Join Neighborly At This Year's Fintech Awards And Learn How Public Works Can Work For Investors.

The Benzinga Global Fintech Awards are a yearly showcase of the greatest advents in fintech from leaders and visionaries in the worlds of finance and technology. This year, we have executives, developers and innovators from the likes of Facebook, Amazon, IBM, JP Morgan, Zelle, TD Ameritrade, TradeStation, Fidelity, and so many more.

In preparation for its biggest installment yet this May, we’re profiling the companies competing for the BZ Awards. In this feature we focus in on Neighborly.

What does your company do? What unique problem does it solve?

Garrett Brinker, product manager: Neighborly is a mission-driven fintech firm that operates at the intersection of government, technology and municipal finance. We believe that the humble municipal bond is the original impact investment, and we’re committed to reducing the cost and complexity associated with this largely fragmented and often misunderstood market – which has long been dominated by large institutional investors.

Through innovative technology, competitive fee structure and lower denominations, we have created a way to directly connect fiscally responsible issuers with investors who want to generate returns while effecting positive change in the communities where they live, work and play.

Who are your customers?

Brinker: Through our two distinct subsidiaries, we’re working to bring issuers and investors closer together to facilitate easier access to impactful public projects, from schools and public parks to next-generation infrastructure such as microgrids:

- **Neighborly Securities:** Our muni broker-dealer, which uses technology to democratize access to impactful public infrastructure projects: from public parks and playgrounds, to municipal broadband or green energy projects. Though Neighborly Securities also serves the advisory community, it has gained enormous traction serving individual investors – in our inaugural (and award-winning) Cambridge minibond offering, 37 percent of participants were first-time bond buyers. The opportunity to invest in meaningful projects in their own backyard resonated strongly with city residents, and continues to do so in municipalities across the country.
- **Neighborly Investments:** Our next-generation technology investment manager focuses on leveraging municipal bonds to maximize after-tax returns through customized impact portfolios.

Neighborly Investments predominantly serves: high-net-worth investors who wish to leverage their muni bond allocations to maximal impact; larger RIAs; and institutional investors such as community banks and university endowments that wish to meet CRA Credit requirements, and foster engagement with their local communities.

How long have you been in business?

Brinker: Neighborly was founded in 2012.

Where are you located?

Brinker: Neighborly is headquartered in San Francisco, with strategically located offices in New York City and Boston. We consider ourselves to be an integral part of their respective tech, finance and investment communities.

Who is your company's leadership? What kind of experience do they have?

Brinker: Jase Wilson is CEO and founder of Neighborly, combining expertise in technology, urban planning and entrepreneurship. Prior to Neighborly, Jase founded and operated Luminopolis, a civic software firm focused on saving local governments millions of dollars annually by replacing legacy enterprise software with modern open source equivalents. A keen technologist and urbanist, he studied city planning at MIT and the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Kiran Jain is the chief operating officer and general counsel at Neighborly. She is the former Chief Resilience Officer for the City of Oakland, one of the inaugural cities in the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities network. Kiran has served as a senior deputy city attorney focusing on land use, urban redevelopment and municipal governance; she also founded the Civic Design Lab to focus on building community resilience.

Neighborly's broader team harbors decades of combined expertise across the fields of public finance, civic issues and technology.

Who are your investors, if any?

Brinker: 8 VC, Emerson Collective, Bee Partners, Stanford University, Sound Ventures, Fintech Collective

Is there anything else Benzinga should know about your company?

Brinker: We are a diverse team with backgrounds in technology, capital markets and government — all on a mission to help build stronger and more resilient cities through the municipal bond.

To meet with the minds behind companies like Neighborly and others testing the cutting edge of fintech, grab a ticket to the Benzinga Global Fintech Awards May 15-16 in New York.

Chris Dier-Scalise, Benzinga Staff Writer

April 24, 2018 2:08pm

S&P Live Webcast and Q&A: For U.S. States, A More Positive Tone Emerges

For Fiscal 2019 Budget Process; Can It Last?

May 15, 2018 | New York

Please join our leading S&P Global Ratings analysts from the U.S. States' Group for a live interactive webcast on Tuesday, May 15 at 2:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, where they will provide their views on the budget process for the U.S. states as they approach the start of the 2019 fiscal year, which for 46 of the states, begins on July 1.

Register For This Webcast

CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series: Housing Finance 201: Partnerships & the Capital Stack.

Tuesday, June 19, 2018
1:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

Intro EB-5 Finance WebCourse.

May 23-24, 2018
Daily: 12:00 – 5:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

MSRB Webinar: Getting to Know the New EMMA.

Thursday, May 10, 2018
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EDT

During this free webinar, staff of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) will demonstrate enhancements to the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA®) website. As the EMMA® website enters its 10th year of providing municipal market transparency, the MSRB is implementing a series of investor-focused improvements to the design and navigation of the website.

At the end of this webinar, participants will understand how to:

- Navigate features to access information about individual issuers and their securities;
- Search for a disclosure document by period or posting date, as well as by category; and
- Identify important details about a security and graph the trade price in the context of other trades.

EMMA® is the official source for municipal securities data and documents. The EMMA® website provides free public access to objective municipal market information and interactive tools for investors, municipal entities and others. EMMA® supports municipal market transparency but is not a platform for buying or selling bonds.

CPE Credit

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Click here to register.

GFOA: Train in the Pacific Northwest this June.

Don’t miss an opportunity to network with your peers during GFOA’s upcoming training on accounting and budgeting topics, June 4–7, at the Hyatt Regency Lake Washington at Seattle’s Southport in Renton, Washington.

Stephen J. Gauthier, former director of GFOA’s Technical Services, and author of the GAAFR (or “Blue Book”) will serve as an instructor for the accounting courses.

Learn More.

S&P: Hot Topics in Public Power and Electric Cooperatives.

Oct. 18, 2018 | New York

We invite you to join our team of credit analysts to discuss this year’s power sector current hot topics and trends, including sector overviews, regulatory and operational developments, disruptive technologies and our assessments of the affects they will have on our credit ratings within the power sector. Additional details for this conference, including a link to register and the complete agenda, will be available closer to the meeting date.

Register For This Event

S&P 2018 U.S. Public Finance Credit Forum: Boston

Jun. 5, 2018 | Boston, MA

We are pleased to invite you to our regional 2018 U.S. Public Finance Credit Forum on Tuesday, June 5th in Boston. On hand will be several of our Sector Leads and analysts to review and discuss S&P Global's research related to credit pressures facing U.S. states and local governments, with a focus on pension issues and emerging risks/trends in public finance.

Register For This Event

CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series: Community Benefit Agreements – Sparking Development

Community Benefit Agreements – Sparking Development
May 15, 2018 @ 1:00 PM Eastern

Development projects are often touted as being economic windfalls for communities where they are situated. However, low- and moderate-income communities are frequently left behind, and many benefits of economic development filter to higher income communities. In an effort to combat inequality and promote more equity in economic development, many developers have reshaped and elevated the role of community benefits agreements (CBAs). In a CBA, public and private sector participants determine how the benefits of the economic development will be shared among communities. But what do these CBAs actually look like in practice? What types of benefits are negotiated and how do they support making economic development more impactful on the communities that need it the most? During this installment of the CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series, hear from experts on how public entities can optimize CBAs to generate greater community buy-in for development projects, and more equitably distribute economic gains.

Speakers:

Rena Nakashima, Moderator
Senior Product Manager
The Bank of New York Mellon

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and open to all interested stakeholders.

Register

CDFA EDA Revolving Loan Fund Webinar Series: Designing A Revolving Loan Fund Program to Meet Your Community's Needs

Designing A Revolving Loan Fund Program to Meet Your Community's Needs
May 22, 2018 @ 2:00 PM Eastern

The EDA Revolving Loan Fund Program helps small businesses access capital, especially when traditional lending institutions are not a good fit. The program allows for innovation, and many communities have designed their programs to meet the unique needs of their local business community. Join us as our expert speakers discuss how to design or modify an EDA Revolving Loan Fund program to address local demand, including specialized programs for minority and women owned businesses as well as micro enterprises and entrepreneurs.

Harry Allen, Moderator
Coordinator, Research & Advisory Services
Council of Development Finance Agencies

Mara O'Neill
Loan Program Manager
Metropolitan Consortium of Community Developers

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Register

Brookings 7th annual Municipal Finance Conference.

Monday, Jul 16, 2018 1:15 PM – Tuesday Jul 17, 2018 12:45 PM EDT

Brookings Institution
Washington, DC

Click here to learn more and to register.

Compliance Workshop on MSRB Rule G-17: Making Disclosures to Issuers.

June 22, 2018
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM ET

As the third of a series of free virtual compliance workshops, MSRB staff will conduct an in-depth discussion about key provisions of MSRB Rule G-17 on Conduct of Municipal Securities and Municipal Advisory Activities related to making disclosures to issuers. This workshop will follow a question-and-answer format based on questions and suggestions from regulated entities and other stakeholders.

Register

MSRB Chicago Town Hall.

May 17, 2018
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM CT

Join the MSRB, in coordination with Municipal Bond Club of Chicago, for a Town Hall meeting in Chicago, IL. The Town Hall meeting will provide municipal market stakeholders the opportunity to discuss municipal market self-regulation, the MSRB's compliance support initiative and the future of the MSRB. The Town Hall meeting is intended to support the municipal market community by creating a forum to communicate regulatory concerns and capture ideas to inform the MSRB's future activity. The event will be exclusively in-person.

View the agenda.

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Compliance Workshop on MSRB Rule G-44: Small Firm Municipal Advisor Supervision.

May 24, 2018
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM ET

During this free webinar, staff from the MSRB and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) will discuss considerations for small municipal advisors in tailoring supervisory procedures based on the nature and scope of the firm's municipal advisory activities, and methods of documenting that supervisory controls were implemented and enforced consistent with the regulatory obligations under MSRB Rule G-44. SEC staff will highlight some of their observations from municipal advisor examinations.

Register.

Blockchain Basics for Government Finance and Audit Professionals: Webinar

Start Date: 4/12/2018 2:00 PM EST
End Date: 4/12/2018 3:50 PM EST

Organization Name: NASACT

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OVERVIEW

While many government leaders are actively involved with blockchain prototypes, live pilots, and active use case development, there is still is a limited view of what it comprises and how it will impact state organizations. Blockchain's influence in the public sector will evolve over the next several years, but the technology has the potential to bring efficiency and speed to a wide range of services and processes.

By joining this webinar, government finance and audit professionals can gain insights into blockchain dynamics, hear examples of how organizations are using the technology, and understand the potential for ROI around new revenue streams and cost savings.

By reducing dependence on existing intermediary institutions and their accompanying layers and costs, blockchain can potentially eliminate significant resource burdens. And by accelerating transactions and simultaneously lowering their costs, blockchain can help to eliminate layers of redundancy, ease regulatory compliance burdens, introduce recordkeeping efficiency, and generally smooth government operations across a number of areas.

Join us to learn blockchain fundamentals and how this technology may impact your role and organization.

Click HERE for full webinar details.

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GASB Webinar on Invitation to Comment on Revenue and Expense Recognition.

Registration Opens for **March 14 GASB Webinar** on Invitation to Comment on Revenue and Expense Recognition.

Media Advisory | Course Description and Registration

Intro Tax Credit Finance WebCourse.

March 21-22, 2018 | Daily: 12:00 – 5:00 PM Eastern

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CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

February 28, 2018 | 2:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA Brownfields Redevelopment Financing Webinar Series: Reimagining Brownfields as Transit Oriented Developments.

March 8, 2018 | 2:00 – 3:30 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

CDFA // BNY Mellon Webcast Series: Bridge Financing Solutions for Spurring Development.

Tuesday, May 13, 2018 | 1:00 PM Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

California Treasurer Sees Event as a Spur for Green Bonds.

California State Treasurer John Chiang is ramping up his support for green bonds by co-hosting a Green Bonds Symposium in Santa Monica on **Feb. 27-28**.

The event is being put together with the Milken Institute, a Santa Monica-based public policy think tank, and Environmental Finance, a London-based publishing company that reports on green finance.

Chiang, who is running for governor, called the bond market, and more specifically green bonds, an essential tool for raising the $8 trillion needed in the U.S. to replace fossil-fuel power sources with low-carbon alternatives and the hundreds of billions needed in the state to replace and modernize crumbling roads, bridges, and water plants.

“With the U.S. already trailing China and Europe, California can fill the leadership void left by the current federal administration by facilitating the maturation of a domestic green bonds market that will pay for the new, less-polluting infrastructure we so desperately need to counter climate change,” Chiang said in a letter.

Green bonds, or debt issued by corporations or government agencies to finance environmentally-friendly projects, were first introduced in 2008.

The U.S. green municipal bond market grew to $11.05 billion in 2017 up from $7.11 billion the previous year; and it’s expected to reach $20 billion in 2018, according to a Climate Bonds Initiative report. New York edged out California in 2017 in green bond issuance pushing out $4.59 billion compared to California’s $4.3 billion.

The first day of the event will consist of an invitation-only financial innovations lab hosted by the Milken Institute.

Researchers, policy makers, and others will work to generate market-based solutions to overcome challenges for green bonds during the innovations lab, according to the hosts. The focus will be on innovative structures, market function, investor interest, and market standardization issues to conquer the barriers to investment in green bonds in the United States. The same areas that the treasurer’s office covered in its report, Growing the U.S. Green Bond Market, Volume 1, released in January 2017.

The treasurer’s office plans to produce a second report in Spring 2018 on findings from the innovations lab.

The second day will be a general conference, open to everyone, with key note speakers, case studies and panels.

In 2016, Chiang said he conducted a multi-city listening tour meeting with three dozen investors, who control funds holding trillions of dollars, to discuss how to use bonds to encourage environmentally-friendly development.

“The need for a green bonds symposium grew directly out of my listening tour and the lagging performance here in this country,” Chiang said.

By Keeley Webster

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MSRB Arizona Town Hall.

MSRB Arizona Town Hall: Hosted in coordination with the National Association of Bond Lawyers’ 16th Annual Tax & Securities Law Institute

February 21, 2018
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM MT

Join the MSRB, in coordination with the National Association of Bond Lawyers, for a Town Hall meeting in Phoenix, AZ. The Town Hall meeting will provide municipal market stakeholders the opportunity to discuss municipal market self-regulation, the MSRB's compliance support initiative and the future of the MSRB. The Town Hall meeting is intended to support the municipal market community by creating a forum to communicate regulatory concerns and capture ideas to inform the MSRB's future activity. The event will be exclusively in-person.

View the agenda.

Register.

NFMA's 35th Annual Conference.

Registration has commenced for the **National Federation of Municipal Analyst's 35th Annual Conference** to be held at the Hotel del Coronado, Coronado, CA, on **May 30-June 1, 2018**.

Click here to learn more and to register.

Understanding the Investing in Opportunity Act: CDFA Webinar

Thursday, February 15, 2018 | 1:00 PM Eastern

Overview

Around the country American communities are experiencing highly uneven economic development, resulting in large, regional pockets of disinvestment and unemployment. The recently enacted Investing in Opportunity Act aims to correct the aforementioned economic imbalances by incentivizing groups – through the temporary deferral of a tax on capital gains – to invest in distressed areas. In this CDFA webinar, learn from our expert panelists how the Investing in Opportunity Act works, when the program will begin, and a host of other important details essential to understanding this new federal program.

Register in advance to confirm your participation and receive login information. Registration is free and open to all interested stakeholders.

Click here to learn more and to register.

Assessing and Managing the Risks Posed by Climate Change to State and Local Governments: A Brookings Institute Webinar

Climate change poses substantial risks and challenges to state and local economies and their governments. How do credit rating agencies assess and manage these risks? Do municipal bond markets take them into account if at all? Should they? Do rating agencies and bond markets give credit for building resilience? How should state and local governments gauge the risks posed by climate change? How urgent is this? Who is leading the way and what can we learn from them?

Join us on **February 13, 1:00-2:30 pm EST** for a webinar on these topics. We'll begin with presentations by Kurt Forsgren (Managing Director and Sector Leader for Infrastructure in U.S. Public Finance, Standard & Poor's), Tim Coffin (Senior Vice President and Director of Sustainability, Breckinridge Capital Advisors), Joyce Coffee (LEED AP, Founder and President, Climate Resilience Consulting) and additional speakers to be announced. The presentations will be followed by Q&A with webinar participants.

The Municipal Finance Conference is sponsored by the Hutchins Center on Fiscal and Monetary Policy at Brookings, the Rosenberg Institute of Global Finance at Brandeis International Business School, the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy and Olin Business School at Washington University in St. Louis. The 2018 conference will be held at Brookings on July 16-17, 2018.

Register for the webinar

The Brookings Institute

Live Webcast and Q&A: S&P 2018 U.S. Infrastructure Outlook.

Jan. 30, 2018 | New York

Please join S&P Global Ratings U.S. Public Finance on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time for a live Webcast and Q&A discussion on the U.S. Public Power, Transportation and Water and Wastewater sector outlooks.

Register For This Webcast

CDFA Launches Federal Financing Webinar Series.

CDFA Launches Federal Financing Webinar Series
— New Series to Highlight Federal Agency Programming —

The CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series is an exclusive, five-part online offering that will convene finance experts, federal agencies, and local practitioners to discuss the development finance programs offered by the federal government. The webinar series is designed to offer participants a thorough overview of the development finance tools offered by federal agencies, with an emphasis on valuable programs that are often overlooked.

The CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series is a 5-part offer available throughout the year. Each webinar will include in-depth examinations of specific financing programs offered by a federal agency along with program details, advice on applying, and examples of successful program implementation. Participants are encouraged to bring their project questions for our expert panelists, as they work to demystify the federal government's myriad financing options.

Those interested in attending the series can register for each webinar individually or all at once as a package deal. CDFA recommends registering for all of the webinars at once to take advantage of the best available pricing.

The webinar series will focus on the following agencies:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
February 28, 2018
[>>>Register for the HUD Webcast]

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
April 12, 2018
[>>>Register for the DOT Webcast]

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
June 14, 2018
[>>>Register for the USDA Webcast]

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
August 16, 2018
[>>>Register for the EPA Webcast]

U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)
October 18, 2018
[>>>Register for the EDA Webcast]

CDFA has provided two options for registering for the CDFA Federal Financing Webinar Series:

Individual Webinars
Participants may register at any time for individual webinars at the following rates:

CDFA Member: $65
Non-Member: $95

Full Webinar Series
Participants may register for the full webinar series and receive access to recordings of past or missed webinars. Participants will receive a $50.00 discount when purchasing all five webinars. Participants may register at any time for the full webinar series at the following rates:

CDFA Member: $275
Non-Member: $425

Webinars will be recorded and placed online for participants to access afterwards. Only attendees who purchase the webinar, either individually or the full series, will have access to the online recordings. Attendees who miss a webinar will have access to the online recordings as well.

A Brave New World for Munis: A Post Tax-Reform Review - Webinar Recap

Hosted by MBFA in Partnership with Court Street Group Research LLC

On Wednesday, January 17th, over 65 industry groups representing issuers, investors, and state and local governments participated in the webinar, "A Brave New World for Munis: A Post-Tax Reform Review," hosted by the Municipal Bonds for America (MBFA) Coalition in partnership with Court Street Group Research. The webinar focused on the political, economic, and market dynamics of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and the overall impact on the municipal industry post-tax reform.

The webinar recording that includes the powerpoint presentation can be viewed here.

S&P Live Webcast and Q&A: 2018 U.S. State and Local Government Outlooks.

Jan. 22, 2018 | New York

Please join S&P Global Ratings U.S. Public Finance on Monday, January 22, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time for a live Webcast and Q&A discussion on the U.S. State and Local Government Credit sector outlooks.

Register For This Webcast

S&P Live Webcast and Q&A: 2018 U.S. Not-for-Profit Health Care Outlook.

Jan. 17, 2018 | New York

Please join S&P Global Ratings U.S. Public Finance on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time for a live Webcast and Q&A discussion on the U.S. Not-for-Profit Health Care sector outlook.

Register For This Webcast

22nd Annual Governmental GAAP Update (Encore Presentation)

Training Type: Web-Streaming
Course Status: Repeat Offering
Date and Time: Jan 18 2018 – 1:00pm to 5:00pm EST
Region: Eastern
Level: Intermediate
Field of Study: Accounting – Governmental
CPE Credits: 4
Member Price: $180.00
Non-Member Price: $195.00

Register Online

Prerequisite: Knowledge in state and local governmental accounting and financial reporting.

Speakers:

- David A. Vaudt – ChairmanGovernmental Accounting Standards Board
- Todd Buikema – Senior Manager GFOA
- Peg Hartnett – Senior ManagerGFOA
- Melinda M. Gildart, CPA, MBA – Controller Chicago Public Schools
- Bob Scott – Chief Financial OfficerCity of Carrollton

- Ted Williamson – Partner RubinBrown, LLP
- Chris Morrill – Executive Director/CEOGFOA

Who Will Benefit: State and local governmental accounting and financial reporting professionals, State and local government CFO's, and auditors of state and local governments.

Program Description:
Final authoritative guidance on:

- asset retirement obligations
- the use of Fiduciary funds
- various topics covered in the 2017 Omnibus, including pension and OPEB issues
- debt extinguishment issues, including use of existing resources and prepaid insurance leases

Recent GASB implementation guidance

Proposed guidance on debt disclosures for direct borrowings and direct placements

Proposed implementation guidance for accounting and financial reporting for OPEB

Other ongoing GASB projects

Update on the GASB financial reporting model improvements for governmental funds

Update on the uniform grant guidance, including procurement guidelines

Proposed changes to the Yellow Book

Common financial reporting deficiencies

Topics subject to change

Seminar Objectives:
Participants in this year's GAAP Update should obtain a practical knowledge of:

- GASB Statement No. 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations*
- GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*
- GASB Statement No. 85, *Omnibus 2017*
- GASB Statement No. 86, *Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues*
- GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*
- GASB Invitation to Comment, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements— Governmental Funds*
- *GASB ED on Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements*
- Forthcoming GASB ED Implementation Guide, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*
- Common financial reporting deficiencies encountered in the GFOA's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program.
- Government Accountability Office 2017 ED of *Government Auditing Standards*
- Updates on the Office of Management and Budget's *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (the Uniform Guidance)*

GAAP Update FAQs

Agenda: Download

Other Documents:
Brochure
Technical FAQs

Fitch Credit Outlook Teleconferences.

Fitch Ratings will host a series of teleconferences on its 2018 U.S. Public Finance Outlooks, including state & local governments, education & non-profits, transportation, healthcare, public power, and water & sewer. Senior Fitch analysts will share their 2018 Ratings Outlooks and provide an overview of the major trends for each sector followed by Q&A. Click here to access associated reports.

U.S. States and Local Governments 2018 Outlook

January 10, 2018 | 2:00pm ET

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U.S. Public Power and Water & Sewer 2018 Outlook

January 11, 2018 | 1:00pm ET

REGISTER

U.S. Health Care 2018 Outlook

January 11, 2018 | 2:00pm ET

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U.S. Municipal Transportation 2018 Outlook

January 17, 2018 | 1:00pm ET

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U.S. Education & Nonprofit Institutions 2018

January 17, 2018 | 2:00pm ET

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The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: The Impact on the Municipal Bond Market.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: The Impact on the Municipal Bond Market.
Jan. 10, 2018 | 1 PM ET/10 AM PT

A Bond Buyer / Orrick Webinar

Different versions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Act") have been approved by the House and Senate, and the two chambers are conferencing to resolve the differences and send the final Act to the President by year end. Even if we do not have a final Act by year end, we expect to have a much better idea of the final product. The Act will make significant changes to tax rules that apply to tax-exempt bonds and related matters, likely including the elimination of tax exempt advance refunding bonds and potentially including changes to the ability to issue private activity bonds.

Topics to be Discussed:

- Status of Private Activity Bonds
- Status of Advance Refunding Bonds and alternatives thereto
- Other changes: tax credit bonds, stadium bonds
- Transition Rules
- 2018 and beyond – technical corrections and needed fixes
- Reduction in corporate tax rate, status of AMT
- Next Steps for Issuers and Borrowers

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U.S. Education & Nonprofit Institutions 2018
January 17, 2018 – 2:00pm ET
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MSRB Announces New Town Hall Series Coming in 2018.

The Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) today announced that it will hold a series of "Town Hall" meetings in 2018 intended to enhance engagement with municipal market stakeholders and provide a forum for capturing ideas to inform the MSRB's current priorities and long-term strategic initiatives. Market stakeholders will have the chance to communicate directly with MSRB Board members and staff about their expectation of the MSRB, and its current and future initiatives.

The MSRB's Town Hall meetings will be exclusively in-person and open to the public. Registration is available through the links below:

MSRB Arizona Town Hall
Hosted in coordination with the National Association of Bond Lawyers' 16th Annual Tax & Securities Law Institute
Wednesday, February 21, 2018
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. MT
JW Marriott Desert Ridge, Stonegrill
5350 E. Marriott Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85054
Register to attend.

MSRB California Town Hall
Hosted in coordination with the National Association of Municipal Advisors
Thursday, February 22, 2018
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. PT
Newport Beach Marriott Hotel
900 Newport Center Drive
Newport Beach, CA 92660
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JW Marriott Chicago
151 West Adams Street
Chicago, IL 60603
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TSLI 2018 Registration is Now Open!

The municipal bond market is in a state of flux, and upcoming changes may be significant. If tax reform becomes a reality, resulting in lowered corporate and individual tax rates, there will be direct effects on the market. LIBOR is poised to disappear in 2021, leaving open the question of what happens with loans and swaps that are LIBOR-based. We know from recent events that the SEC is ramping up enforcement efforts (including against lawyers and other professionals) and is becoming more involved in disclosure issues. So what lies ahead? Come and find out by joining us for TSLI 2018 in Phoenix, AZ, for in-depth discussions on current public finance topics!

For more information, download the TSLI brochure or visit the TSLI website. Register today by downloading the registration form or register online here.

When: February 22-23, 2018

Where: JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, 5350 East Marriott Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85054

MSRB Compliance Workshop - MSRB Rule G-42

MSRB Rule G-42: Understanding Advice and Recommendations

Friday, December 8, 2017
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. EST

As the first of a series of free virtual compliance workshops, MSRB staff will conduct an in-depth discussion about key provisions of MSRB Rule G-42 on Duties of Non-Solicitor Municipal Advisors related to advice and recommendations. This workshop will follow a question-and-answer format based on questions and suggestions from regulated entities and other stakeholders.

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Click here to register.

CDFA Fundamentals of Economic Development Finance WebCourse.

January 24 – 25, 2018
Daily: 12:00 – 5:00 PM Eastern

The **Fundamentals of Economic Development Finance WebCourse** is the foundation for all of CDFA's educational offerings. This course will help you understand the variety of development finance tools available, from bonds, tax credits and TIF, to federal financing programs, RLFs, and access to capital lending resources.

The Fundamentals Course is based on CDFA's Practitioner's Guide to Economic Development Finance, the only comprehensive reference guide dedicated to building and utilizing the development finance toolbox. The Practitioner's Guide provides the insight and practical information needed to critically understand how economic development is financed and the tools, strategies and techniques used to build strong communities.

This course qualify for the CDFA Training Institute's **Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP)** Program. Complete three courses and you will fulfill half of the requirement for the DFCP Program. Start down the road to personal and professional advancement today.

Click here to learn more and to register.

S&P State and Local Government Credit Forum.

Dec. 6, 2017 | New York

We are pleased to invite you to our 2017 State and Local Government Credit Forum on Wednesday, December 6th.

Click here to learn more and to register.

[Tax Reform: The Threat of Annihilation of Tax-Exempt Financing - Mintz Levin Webinar]

Mintz Levin’s Chuck Samuels, Meghan Burke, Len Weiser-Varon, and John Regier discussed the new tax reform bill in a webinar entitled “Tax Reform: The Threat of Annihilation of Tax Exempt Financing.” The panel, uniquely qualified governmental, bond, and legislative counsel, offered insight on proposed tax changes, the prospects for enactment of the legislation, and how participants in tax-exempt financings can respond to this development.

You can listen to the complete webinar here.

[NABL Ethics Teleconference: Risk - The Game of Reduction of Professional Exposure, Loss Prevention, and Bond Counsel Liability.]

Thursday, December 14, 2017 1:00-2:30 pm Eastern

Registration Fees:
► $195 for members
► $400 for non-members.

Register online here, or download the printed registration form.

Description: This teleconference will include a practical discussion of how bond counsel can be exposed to potential professional liability. The panel will focus on conflicts of interest, the necessity and benefits of utilizing an engagement letter and other Model Rules that bond counsel need to consider in any engagement. Through interactive discussion and case studies, the panel will illustrate conflict scenarios, whether the conflicts can be waived, and the process of waiving a conflict of interest. The panelists will also discuss and employ hypotheticals to explain what should be included in an engagement letter and will review the NABL Model Engagement Letter. The teleconference will also include a malpractice insurance representative from Attorneys’ Liability Insurance Society (ALAS) to give a unique perspective on liability scenarios. The panelists will also discuss the expanding role of bond counsel and how that expanding role can impact professional exposure and loss prevention. Additional topics of client confidentiality and data security and how breaches in a firm’s network can expose you to professional liability will be covered.

Moderator:
Tim Stratton (Gust Rosenfeld P.L.C.)

Panelists:
Deanna Gregory (Pacifica Law Group)
Drew Kintzinger (Hunton & Williams)
Randy Curato (ALAS)

CLE Information: NABL has applied for and anticipates receiving ethics CLE credit for between 1.5 and 1.8 hours in most states that accredit teleconferences. No credit will be available in Pennsylvania. To obtain CLE credit you must pay the CLE fee listed below and fill out the payment form. Be sure to include your CLE states and identifying numbers on the payment form. Certificates of Attendance will be e-mailed to you , and credit hours will be reported to those states that require sponsors to report credit.

Deadline: The registration deadline is Monday, December 11, 2017. All registrants will receive the teleconference materials and dial-in instructions via email on Wednesday, December 13, 2017.

If you have a question(s) that you would like addressed on the teleconference, email them to comments@nabl.org before or during the call. The panelists will try to incorporate the responses throughout the teleconference.

MSRB Launches Compliance Workshop Series.

Washington, DC – The Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) today announced a series of virtual compliance workshops designed to facilitate in-depth discussions about key provisions of MSRB rules for municipal securities dealers and municipal advisors. The free webcast workshops will follow a question-and-answer format.

"The MSRB has heard from both dealers and municipal advisors that they value the opportunity to ask questions and take a deeper dive into the practical realities of complying with specific rule provisions," said MSRB Executive Director Lynnette Kelly. "Supplementing our existing webinar program with these specialized compliance workshops is a great example of how feedback from our stakeholders informs the MSRB's approach to advancing our long-term strategic goal of facilitating compliance."

The MSRB identified topics for the compliance workshops based on questions and suggestions from regulated entities and other stakeholders. The calendar of compliance workshops includes:

- MSRB Rule G-42: **Understanding Advice and Recommendations**
  December 8, 2017, 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET
  Register for the workshop.
- MSRB Rule G-42: **Documenting Your Relationships and Making Disclosures**
  March 9, 2018, 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET
  Register for the workshop.
- MSRB Rule G:17: **Making Disclosures to Issuers**
  June 22, 2018, 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET
  Register for the workshop.
- MSRB Rule G-37: **Completing Form G-37**
  September 14, 2018, 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET
  Register for the workshop.

To submit questions in advance of any workshop or to suggest topics for future workshops, email MSRBEvents@msrb.org.

Date: November 17, 2017

Contact: Jennifer A. Galloway, Chief Communications Officer
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Register Now for Upcoming P3 Bootcamps in LA and DC.

Join us for P3Bootcamp in **Los Angeles on Dec. 4**. During this popular one-day P3 training course, you'll join experts in the field for multiple panels, networking opportunities and an in-depth introduction to the P3 landscape. Sessions will focus on everything from identifying a potential P3 project to market trends, making P3Bootcamp an ideal course for public and private sector members who are looking to enter the new era of infrastructure.

For those of you on the East Coast who want to demystify the ins and outs of negotiating P3 agreements with the federal government, join us **Dec. 7 in Washington, D.C.** for the **first Federal P3Bootcamp**. This one-day course, also taught by experts with years of experience in the P3 space, will teach you everything you need to know to do a deal with Uncle Sam. To learn more and register, visit the P3Bootcamp website.

Live S&P Webcast: Request For Comment: Priority Lien Tax Revenue Debt

Please join S&P Global Ratings on **Friday, November 17th at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time** for an interactive, live Webcast and Q&A. We will discuss the proposed criteria in detail, the potential impact on outstanding ratings, and specific questions for which we are seeking responses.

Register For This Audio Webcast

CDFA Intro Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Finance WebCourse.

December 5-6, 2017
12:00 – 5:00 pm Eastern

Click here to learn more and to register.

Teleconference: Fitch Rates Chicago Sales Tax Securitization Corp, IL's $575MM Sales Tax Securitization Bonds 'AAA'

Join Fitch **November 8th at 2PM ET** as we discuss our 'AAA' rating on the Sales Tax Securitization Corp, IL Series 2017 A&B bonds. Arlene Bohner will provide the analytical conclusion on the corporation's strong legal framework and key rating drivers. Amy Laskey will explain why this transaction will not affect the City's general credit quality and GO rating. Laura Porter, Managing Director & Sector Head will host the call.

Register.

Register for NABL's New Ethics Teleconference.

If your state requires ethics credits, NABL has just what you need! NABL is hosting a new ethics teleconference titled, *“Risk – The Game of Reduction of Professional Exposure, Loss Prevention, and Bond Counsel Liability,”* on **Thursday, December 14, 2017 from 1:00 – 2:30 pm Eastern**.

Moderator, Tim Stratton from Gust Rosenfeld P.L.C. and panelists, Deanna Gregory (Pacifica Law Group), Drew Kintzinger (Hunton & Williams), and Randy Curato (ALAS), will discuss conflicts of interest, the necessity and benefits of utilizing an engagement letter and other Model Rules that bond counsel need to consider in any engagement. Through interactive discussion and case studies, the panel will illustrate conflict scenarios, whether the conflicts can be waived, and the process of waiving a conflict of interest.

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NFMA Advanced Seminar on High Yield Bonds.

The National Federation of Municipal Analysts will hold its Advanced Seminar on High Yield Bonds on **January 25 & 26, 2018** at the Royal Palm South Beach in Miami Beach, Florida.

To review the program, click here.

To register, click here.
