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CUMBERLAND COUNTY RECEIVES BUDGET AWARD

Cumberland County, PA – The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners announced at their public meeting today that the County received the Government Finance Officers Association’s (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its 2015 budget. The award represents a significant achievement by the County. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meet the highest principles of governmental budgeting. This is the eighth year Cumberland County has received the GFOA Award.

In order to receive the award, the County had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. The guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity’s budget serves as a policy document; a financial plan; an operations guide; and a communications device. Budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all four categories and the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories. The GFOA affirmed that Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.

The Commissioners recognized the County’s Finance Office for their diligent efforts and presented the Award to the Finance staff as the department primarily responsible for this achievement. The GFOA is a non-profit professional association serving nearly 18,000 government finance professionals throughout the United States and Canada. The GFOA’s Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

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