

City of Bel Aire - News Release

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Bel Aire receives the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada

Bel Aire city leaders are proud to announce that the City of Bel Aire received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 2016 Budget.

This award represents a significant achievement by Bel Aire and is the third year the City has received such recognition. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principals of government budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, Bel Aire had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

- A policy document
- A financial plan
- An operations guide
- A communications device

Budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all four categories, and the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award.

A Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation was presented to Michelle Meyer, the City's Assistant City Manager/Finance Director, and Tristin Terhune, Community Development Specialist.

In the last fiscal year, 1,491 participants from all over North America received the award; 16 were cities within Kansas and only 4 were cities of the 2nd class.

The GFOA is a nonprofit profession association serving nearly 18,000 government finance professionals throughout North America. The GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in government budgeting.