Code of Ethics

We, the government finance officers of the United States and Canada, have a deep and abiding desire to show that we are worthy of the special trust that the communities we serve have placed in us. As a member of my government’s finance office, I commit to living the following values to show that I am worthy of that trust.

**Integrity and Honesty**
Integrity and honesty are the foundation on which trustworthiness is built. It means people can believe what I say, I act in accordance with my deepest values, I put principle ahead of my own ego, and I do the right thing even when it is hard.

**Producing Results for My Community**
Public finance offices have an important job. Doing that job well honors the trust the public has placed in me.

**Treating People Fairly**
Local governments depend on trusting relationships. Therefore, I will treat people fairly and develop processes and procedures that are fair.

**Diversity and Inclusion**
Embracing diversity and fostering inclusiveness helps finance offices cultivate organizations and promote policies that reflect the communities they serve. When people feel included, they see that I am concerned for their wellbeing. That shows I am worthy of their trust.

**Reliability and Consistency**
When I consistently apply my standards – especially to myself – I honor my commitment to the community I serve and make it easier to do the right thing even when faced with challenging circumstances.