

Government Finance Officers Association of South Carolina

2026 Spring Conference - May 4, 2026 - Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center

Time & Session		Session Topic	Room	Speaker
7:30-8:30		Registration	Downstairs Lobby	
7:30-8:30		Continental Breakfast	Downstairs Lobby	
8:45-9:00		Welcome	Richland	Curtis Loftis, State Treasurer
General Session I				
9:00-9:50		Economic Update	Richland	Lisa Jolliff
9:50-10:05	Break - Visit with Sponsors - Lobby			
General Session II				
10:10-11:00		Municipal Bonds: Past, Present, and Future	Richland	Gary Pope Lawrence Flynn
Concurrent Session I				
11:05-11:55	Session I	How AI is Changing Insurance and Risk Management	Lexington A	Derek Slate Randy Cranfill
11:05-11:55	Session II	Safe and Sound Cash: Security Today, Value Tomorrow	Congaree	Garrett Macdonald
11:05-11:55	Session III	Digital Internal Controls: Using Search & AI Visibility to Prevent Fraud	Lexington B	Chris Kemper
12:00-1:15	Lunch/Business Meeting - Upstairs Columbia Ballrooms			
Concurrent Session II				
1:25-2:15	Session I	Comptroller General's Office Reporting Package Update	Lexington A	Katherine Kip, Layla Ballard-Sholly
1:25-2:15	Session II	From Feedback to Function: Customer-Informed Process Improvements in the Controller's Office	Congaree	Lisa Sipe Rachel Goode Douglas Bailey Melinda Craft
1:25-2:15	Session III	Less Paper, Less Stress: Modernizing Finance Records in Local Government	Lexington B	Lauren Lowe
Concurrent Session III				
2:20-3:10	Session I	ACH Fraud/ Local Government Reporting Requirements / LGDR	Lexington A	Myron Watterson /Marissa Evans/Kevin O'Brien
2:20-3:10	Session II	Cooperative Purchasing	Congaree	Steve Vermette
2:20-3:10	Session III	Modernization and Upgrade Programs	Lexington B	Sara Warren / Dana Ray
3:10-3:35	Break - Door Prizes & Final Visit with Sponsors - Lobby			
General Session III				
3:35-4:25		Why Government Finance Matters to All of Us - Stronger Bonds Podcast live from GFOASC!	Richland	Ray Jones, Emily Luther
4:25-4:45	Final Door Prizes and Adjourn			