



**South Suburban**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION**

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**South Suburban Awarded Certificate of Achievement**

**Twelfth Time for Excellence in Financial Reporting**

A perfect dozen, that's how many years South Suburban Park and Recreation District's Department of Finance, has been awarded the **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting**, by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada, for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. The District submitted a comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2012 for consideration for the award.

The District's Steven Shipley, CPA, director of finance, and Linda Addison, CPA, chief accountant, prepared the document, which includes the independent auditors report, the audited financial statements, management, discussion and analysis, transmittal letter and the required statistical section.

The CAFR was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

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