

**NEWS RELEASE**  
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**SCOTT COUNTY, IOWA IS GIVEN  
AWARD IN FINANCIAL REPORTING AND BUDGETING**

Ken Beck, Chair of the Scott County Board of Supervisors, announced today that Scott County has been awarded the Popular Annual Financial Report (Fiscal Year 2021) in addition to already being awarded the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (Fiscal Year 2021), and the Annual Budget Report (Fiscal Year 2023). The County qualified as a "Triple Crown" winner for the fiscal year 2021 by receiving recognition for all three programs for the same fiscal year. Scott County is one of 317 government organizations in the nation to be recognized as a "Triple Crown" winner. Only two governments in Iowa, Scott and Linn County, have previously qualified for this recognition.

- **Popular Annual Financial Report – Fiscal Year 2021**

The Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) awarded **for the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) time**. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local government financial reporting. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government is evaluated on information presented, reader appeal, understandability, distribution, and other elements including the government's type and size and the creativity and usefulness of the report. The County must also publish an Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and receive a Certificate in achievement in that program as well.

The PAFR report has been 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 and motivate potential users and user groups to read the PAFR.

The Board of Supervisors has designated the continued achievement of this certification as a priority. The Board expressed their appreciation to David Farmer, CPA, MPA Director of Budget and Administrative Services in Administration; Renee Luze-Johnson and Deborah Dierkes, Executive Assistants; Chris Berge and Amanda Orr, ERP/ECM Analysts, Mahesh Sharma, County Administrator, and all the County departments for their work and professional guidance in helping the County to obtain this financial reporting honor.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 22,500 government finance professionals. The association produces a variety of technical publications in various fields of governmental finance, and represents the public finance community in Chicago, IL and Washington D.C.

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