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## **County Honored For Excellence in Financial Reporting**

FAYETTEVILLE – The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada has awarded Cumberland County with the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the county’s comprehensive annual financial (CAFR) report for fiscal 2014. The award is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting. This is the 25<sup>th</sup> consecutive year Cumberland County Finance has received the award.

The award names Melissa Cardinali, Assistant County Manager for Finance and Administrative Services, as the finance officer responsible for preparing the award-winning report. Cardinali was notified of the recognition on June 16.

The county’s annual financial report 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 and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

“This award is affirmation of continued dedication by our finance team, which continues to maintain the highest of standards in financial reporting,” Cardinali said.

The report can be viewed online at [co.cumberland.nc.us/finance/audit\\_reports.aspx](http://co.cumberland.nc.us/finance/audit_reports.aspx).

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