

# Georgia Grant Professionals Association

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### GGPA Wins Second Place in New Members Recruited!



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In the past year, the Georgia Grant Professionals gained 17 new members – earning our chapter 2<sup>nd</sup> place nationwide in the Grant Professionals Association’s membership drive. Currently GGPA has 46 active members. In the last five years, 70 new members have joined the chapter.

GGPA was honored at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Grant Professionals Association Conference, “Building Bridges,” which took place Oct. 15-18, 2014 in Portland Oregon. The Los Angeles chapter won first place (20 new members), and Southeast Texas took third place (16).

In honor of the “Most Members Recruited: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place” award, GGPA has been awarded one free registration for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Grant Professional Association National Conference to be held in St. Louis, Missouri Nov. 11-14, 2015, valued at \$625 for members and \$859 for nonmembers. And two Grant Professionals Association gift certificates, each worth \$25, good toward GPA merchandise, membership dues, conference registration or books. These certificates do not have an expiration date.

Congratulations to every GGPA member for making our chapter strong.

### Get Certified – and Enter Sweepstakes to Win!

Thinking about earning the Grant Professional Certified (GPC) designation? Now’s the time. Gaining a GPC designation is good for you, good for your chapter and good for the future of the grant profession.

The Grant Professional Certification Institute is sponsoring the “Get Certified Sweepstakes” to encourage more grant professionals to earn their GPCs, which are designed to identify individuals who possess broad based knowledge and real world experience in the field of grantsmanship. An individual who comes forward to sit for the GPC Exam will have a strong ethical base, commitment to the constituents we serve and competence in the fundamentals of grantsmanship. It provides widely recognized affirmation of the GPC practitioner as a person of integrity whose broad interest is in building social capital. As a well-recognized, respected element of the grants sector, the GPC helps stakeholders make the important distinction between the ethical grants professional and those who seek personal profit by capitalizing on the needs of others.

From Nov. 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015, an array of opportunities is available when GGPA chapter member prepare for and take the examination:

**For every member who sits for the GPC exam by July 31, 2015**, one entry is entered into the national Get Certified Sweepstakes for the local chapter (GGPA). Three chapter sweepstakes winners will be drawn at the St. Louis Conference in November of 2015. The *first place chapter winner* will receive 2 vouchers good for the entire cost of the GPA examination fee for 2 chapter members (value: \$1,078). The *second place chapter winner* will receive 1 voucher good for the entire cost of the GPA examination fee for one chapter member (value \$539). And the *third place chapter winner* will receive 1 voucher good for the cost of one GPA- Certified Maintenance (CMP) fee (value \$180) for a member who has already earned the GPC and needs to renew it for another three years.

**If chapter members form a study group, select a specific date and take the examination jointly at an examination location by July 31, 2015**, two chapter entries will be entered into a special national sweepstakes drawing. The *first winning voucher* will be good for one-half the examination fee (value \$259) for the chapter to award to a chapter member beginning in August, 2015. And the *second winning voucher* will be good for the full cost of the GPA - CMP (value \$180) to award to a chapter member who is already a GPA, to continue their GPC designation.

**If five or more members sit for the exam by July 31, 2015**, GPC automatically will receive a voucher to pay half the price of a GPC exam (value (\$258) for a chapter member beginning in August, 2015.

**If eight or more members sit for the exam by July 31, 2015**, GPC automatically will receive a voucher good for the entire cost of the examination fee (value \$539) to award to a chapter member beginning in August, 2016.

All exams awarded either through the Sweepstakes or through the GGPA Chapter must be taken from August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016. For more information, see <http://www.grantcredential.org/> and also, stay tuned as GGPA President Charles Alford selects a Get GPC Chairperson to organize the study group and encourage chapter members to take the GPC examination.

## Grant Writing USA and Grant Management USA Announce Two New Training Opportunities

### **Learn where to find the grants and how to get them in Atlanta.**

Join us November 24-25, 2014 when the Georgia State University College of Law hosts Grant Writing USA's two-day grant writing workshop in Atlanta. Attend this proven class and you'll learn how to find grants and write winning grant proposals. Beginning and experienced government and nonprofit personnel are welcome to attend. You do not need to work in the same profession as the host agency. Tuition is \$455 and includes all materials. [Click here for full event details.](#)

### **Learn to stay in compliance and keep the money in Morrow.**

Attend this grant management training, December 4-5, 2014 in Morrow, and you'll learn what to do after your government grants arrive. We will help you hone your grant administration skills and arm you with extensive knowledge of the compliance requirements that all grantees must meet when managing federal funds. This training is recommended for grant recipient organizations across all disciplines and is again locally hosted by the Clayton State University School of Nursing. Tuition is \$595 and includes all materials. [Click here for full event details.](#)

## New Job Opportunities

- [Development Manager - Georgia Center for Nonprofits](#)
- [Associate Director of Neighborhood Revitalization - Habitat for Humanity](#)
- [Special Projects Manager - Georgia Department of Community Affairs](#)
- [Grants Specialist - Georgia Department of Community Affairs](#)

## Upcoming GGPA meetings

Listed below are the upcoming speakers scheduled for GGPA meetings for the next two months. All meetings take place at 10 a.m. at the Atlanta Community Food Bank.

**Nov. 25, 2014:** GGPA members who attend the 16th Annual Grant Professionals Association Conference Oct. 15-18 in Portland, Oregon, will share the information (and escapades) they gather.

**Dec 2014 (TBD):** Christmas Social

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Have a great day,

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