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**Fairfield County Awarded Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting**

**Lancaster, Ohio** – An international organization, the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA), has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to the Fairfield County Auditor for the Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024.

The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports. A “popular report” includes financial information in a transparent and readable fashion.

To receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting, a government unit must publish a specific Popular Annual Financial Report with content conforming to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability, and reader appeal.

An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is valid for a period of one year only.

Dr. Carri L. Brown, County Auditor, stated, “The Popular Annual Financial Report is a way to make the County’s financial statements more accessible to the public. While this report is not a required report, it is one that we will continue to produce based on our core value of transparency.”

To view the Popular Annual Financial Report, please go to: <https://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/auditor/fc-financial-reports-ACFR-PAFR.html>

Brown added, “The dedicated staff of our Finance Team works every day to ensure that we maintain financial stewardship. We appreciate the ongoing collaboration with the Auditor of State, as well.”

If you have any questions about the report or any other topic about the County Auditor’s Office, please contact Rachel Elsea at [rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov](mailto:rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov).

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