FISCAL FITNESS AWARD

The OEA Fiscal Fitness Award is designed to increase the Association’s financial performance on both the state and local levels.

TIMELINE

- Locals will have the opportunity to meet the criteria for the award for work completed during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
- Application is due to the OEA Secretary-Treasurer’s Office by January 31, 2023.

AWARDS

- First time awardees will receive $2000; continual qualifiers receive $500. No local may receive the first-time award more than once every 5 years. Cash awards are subject to the constraints of the OEA budget.

CRITERIA

With approval and participation by their governing bodies, locals will apply for the award and submit a portfolio that demonstrates meeting the following criteria:

1. Membership Criteria: These include meeting the important deadlines necessary for an Outstanding Treasurer Award, reconciled membership reports, and timely reporting of changes in local membership.

2. Financial criteria: These include evidence of making deposits within one week, meeting financial obligations, and no acts of dishonesty or fraud.

3. Annual attendance at an OEA-sanctioned Treasurer's Workshop by the local treasurer (or other officer for continuing recognition).

4. A bi-annual budget adopted by the local governing body with evidence that budgeting is an ongoing annual process. (Budgets Fiscal Year 2020-2021 and Fiscal Year 2021-2022 required.)

5. Monthly financial reports.

6. An annual audit.

7. Itemized records of receipts and expenditures.

8. Correctly completed tax returns (where applicable).

9. Evidence of tax-exempt status (where applicable).

10. An established practice of requiring dual signatures for all local association checks.

Before beginning the process of preparing a submission, please consult the Program application and criteria booklet available on the OEA Website on the Secretary-Treasurer page https://www.ohea.org/oea-secretary-treasurer-member-resources/. A physical copy can be mailed upon request from the Membership Department. If you have questions, or require additional guidance, please call Secretary-Treasurer Mark Hill, at 614-227-3199.

Please mail your binder/portfolio to:
OEA Secretary-Treasurer, 225 E. Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215