



Financial Services Audit Committee Communication

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To: Great Lakes Water Authority Audit Committee

From: Nicolette N. Bateson, CPA, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer

Re: CFO Report

Washtenaw County has new WRAP Service Delivery Partner

Last month, the United Way for Southeastern Michigan (UWSEM) hosted the Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP) and GLWA member partners in Washtenaw County. The guest list included UWSEM staff as well as representatives from the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YUCA). The gathering marked a new chapter with the UWSEM team introducing themselves as the dedicated service delivery partner for WRAP services in Washtenaw County. Haran Stanley, Affordability and Assistance leader, shared information regarding both GLWA and WRAP, and our history working with UWSEM.

Procurement Team participates in National Institute for Governmental Purchasing Forum (NIGP)

Last month, members of the GLWA Procurement Team attended the National Institute for Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) Annual Forum. The NIGP's Annual Forum is the largest North American educational conference designed exclusively for individuals in public procurement. During this year's conference, Procurement team members attended a variety of plenary sessions and small group workshops where they had the opportunity to connect with public procurement professionals to share experiences, challenges, and best practices. In addition, the NIGP Products Exhibition enabled the team to discover and preview new products and services from nearly 200 government suppliers.

Potential Update in Charges Rollout Scheduling

For the FY 2027+ charges rollout meetings, it appears that there may be some business reasons to combine charges Rollout #1 and #3 using the latter date (November 13, 2025) and cancel the October Charges Rollout date. More information to follow.

Local System Rate Setting Seminar for Member Partners

GLWA's charges consultant provides rate setting training seminars for communities across the US. Plans are underway for an in-person training event in September 2025 for GLWA's member partner communities. Date and location will be announced shortly.