

Organization's Name	Aboriginal Financial Officers' Association of Canada (AFOA)
Vision	AFOA will contribute to Aboriginal social and economic prosperity and support effective decision-making and governance by building management capacity and being the best source of information, certification and education in Aboriginal finance and management.
Mission	AFOA is the centre of excellence and innovation in Aboriginal finance and management and is building a professional, educated, competent workforce to support Aboriginal effective governance and enhanced quality of life.
Mandate	<p>The Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Canada (AFOA) is the centre for excellence and innovation in Aboriginal finance and management. We are the only organization in Canada that focuses on the capacity development and day to day needs of those Aboriginal professionals who are working in all areas of finance and management - today's leaders and those of the future.</p> <p>AFOA was founded as a not-for-profit association in 1999 to help Aboriginals better manage and govern their communities and organizations through a focus on enhancing finance and management practices and skills. AFOA's premise is that effective management is key to building social and economic prosperity and essential to successful Aboriginal governance.</p> <p>How do we achieve our mandate?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducting capacity development research aimed at enhancing competency in financial management, general management and program management; • Developing capacity development programs, products and services;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing professional development training; • Certifying Aboriginal financial managers; • Participating in the development of Aboriginal financial management, accounting and reporting standards; • Promoting best practices; • Encouraging Aboriginal youth to enter into the finance and management professions; • Providing a forum to share knowledge, experience and best practices; • Supporting Aboriginal accountability and governance efforts. <p>We serve our members' professional needs so that they can help their organizations and communities maximize resources, strengthen decision-making and governance, enhance the delivery of programs and services and meet accountability requirements. We serve our members' needs so that they can improve their skills and knowledge, grow professionally, and progress through their career.</p> <p>AFOA membership spans the country from the Pacific to the Atlantic to the Artic. AFOA members are leaders in their communities, organizations, and companies. What binds them is their commitment to financial and management excellence. They are the people who get things done. You can be among them.</p>
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<p>Key Activities/ Current Projects</p>	<p>AFOA STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES – 2006-2009</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support Aboriginal effective governance efforts 2. Promote enhanced Aboriginal financial and management practices and standards 3. Enhance AFOA and CAFM profile among Aboriginals and other stakeholders 4. Strengthen and augment AFOA products, programs and services 5. Increase and stabilize AFOA revenue and funding
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