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## CDFA Recognizes Mike Dickerson, DFCP

—*Newest Graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program* —

Columbus, OH — The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is delighted to welcome Mike Dickerson, Senior Economist with the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. Mr. Dickerson joins the ranks of fellow development finance professionals who are recognized as the most qualified leaders in the industry.

“The CDFA team is happy to welcome Mike into the ranks of DFCP graduates. He is a great ambassador of the DFCP program and embodies the best and brightest in the development finance industry,” states Toby Rittner, DFCP and President & CEO of CDFA. “We are proud to provide education to professionals like Mike to assist in efforts to improve their local communities.”

Mike Dickerson is the Senior Economist for the City of Tulsa with more than a decade of successful municipal experience in human rights and economic development. Mike specializes in economic impact analysis and incentive review. He actively supports the development and monitoring of the Tulsa Industrial Authority's Tax Increment Financing Districts as well as provides review and guidance for a variety of revolving loan and development initiatives. A firm believer in the power of leveraging data to support and guide impactful initiatives, Mike is also an active member of his hometown's Development Authority and local credit union's Supervisory Committee. When he isn't engaging with his two main hobbies of woodworking and leathercrafting, he enjoys spending his free time either reading or playing with his dogs.

As part of CDFA's comprehensive education resources, the Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program is an intensive training course and learning experience which serves as the industry's only comprehensive development finance certification program. CDFA's DFCP Program is designed to produce graduates with a comprehensive knowledge of development finance concepts, tools, and applicability as well as a deep understanding of the entire development finance spectrum. Graduates of the DFCP Program gain valuable knowledge and experience within the complex development finance industry and achieve a level of understanding unmatched by any other professional certification program.

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