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## CDFA Recognizes Rob Rishel, DFCP

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

Columbus, OH — The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is pleased to announce Rob Rishel, Economic Development Administrator for the City of Westerville, OH, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. As a new graduate, Mr. Rishel joins numerous others who have invested in their professional development and are ready to tackle the complexities of the development finance industry.

“The CDFA team is happy to welcome Rob into the ranks of DFCP graduates. He has been engaged with CDFA for many years and embodies the best and brightest in the development finance industry,” states Toby Rittner, DFCP and President & CEO of CDFA.

Rob Rishel is the Economic Development Administrator for the City of Westerville, Ohio. In this role, he oversees the City’s incentive programs, administers the City’s Industry and Commerce Corporation, and collaborates with the local business community. Mr. Rishel holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Ohio University and a Juris Doctorate from The Ohio State University. Before joining the City, he worked as a private-sector attorney, representing clients in land use, government relations, and economic development matters.

CDFA’s Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program is an intense training course learning experience and is the industry’s only comprehensive development finance professional certification program. The 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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