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**CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable Launched**  
**-- Hosted by the Industrial Development Authority of the City of Scottsdale**  
**and Endorsed by Arizona Association for Economic Development --**

Columbus, OH – The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is pleased to announce the launch of the **CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable**. The CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable is generously hosted by the [Industrial Development Authority of the City of Scottsdale](#). In addition, the CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable is endorsed by the [Arizona Association for Economic Development \(AAED\)](#).

“CDFA is very proud to announce the launch of this new state roundtable for the development finance industry in Arizona,” said Toby Rittner, President & CEO of CDFA. “CDFA is thankful for the great support from the Scottsdale IDA and the Arizona Association for Economic Development. Launching this Roundtable is a milestone achievement for both CDFA and the leadership in the state.”

The CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable, endorsed by AAED, is dedicated to developing a sustainable economic development finance industry in the state of Arizona through education, resource development, research and networking.

“I am thrilled that CDFA has partnered with the IDA of Scottsdale to launch the new Arizona Financing Roundtable in Scottsdale. It will be an exciting opportunity to convene the Arizona finance industry professionals to engage in conversations regarding development finance tools and other available resources,” said Mayor W.J. “Jim” Lane.

“The City of Scottsdale Industrial Development Authority is pleased to welcome the Council of Development Finance Agencies to Arizona and the City of Scottsdale. We look forward to partnering with CDFA to launch the Arizona Financing Roundtable which will bring leaders in the development finance industry together to advance this vital resource for our state. Our ongoing relationship with CDFA will help ensure we continue to bring these critical educational opportunities to our community” said Marc Grayson, President of the City of Scottsdale Industrial Development Authority.

The CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable, endorsed by AAED, will be kicked-off with a one-day conference on November 18, 2014 in Scottsdale, AZ. The conference will feature a number of economic development finance experts and leaders from around the state discussing development finance tools, authorities, resources and approaches, and how these methods can move Arizona’s economy forward. The Roundtable will also offer webcasts, online resources and a dedicated state finance newsletter in the coming months. AAED members will receive discounts to attend Roundtable events, access to a monthly CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable newsletter, and other benefits through this partnership.

In addition to supporting the launch of the CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable, the Scottsdale IDA is also hosting the 2014 CDFA National Development Finance Summit. The 2014 CDFA National Summit will take place November 19-21, following the one-day CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable conference.

CDFA has a very strong presence in Arizona with nine member organizations located in the state and hundreds of professionals engaged in CDFA on an ongoing basis. Arizona is also represented within CDFA’s leadership with Patrick Ray from Kutak Rock LLP serving on the CDFA Board of Directors.



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More information regarding the CDFA Arizona Financing Roundtable conference will be available at [www.cdfa.net](http://www.cdfa.net) soon.

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