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## **CDFA Recognizes Rebecca Rowe, 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 Rebecca Rowe, Associate Director of Community Revitalization for the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. As a new graduate, Ms. Rowe joins fellow program graduates who have invested in their professional development and are recognized as distinguished leaders in the development finance industry.

"The CDFA team is happy to welcome Rebecca into the ranks of DFCP graduates. She is a great ambassador of the DFCP program and reflects the best of the development finance industry," states Toby Rittner, DFCP and President & CEO of CDFA. "Our hope is that through their work in the DFCP program, graduates are prepared to tackle critical development finance efforts in their communities."

Ms. Rowe holds degrees from SUNY Geneseo, Texas A&M, and VCU and is proud of her state school pedigree. Ms. Rowe has more than 20 years of experience in Community and Economic Development, Housing, Historic Preservation, and Planning. She has a passion for place-based economic development and supporting local businesses.

Ms. Rowe loves the espresso and cannoli of upstate New York, the queso and margaritas of Texas, and the banana pudding and bourbon of Virginia—all the places that she has called home. She lives in Richmond, Virginia, with her husband of 22 years and a collection of hound dogs and pit bulls. She also serves on the City of Richmond Planning Commission.

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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