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CDFA Recognizes Carson Folk, DFCP

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

Dublin, OH — The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is pleased to announce Carson Folk, Conduit Bond Business Development Officer for the Arizona Industrial Development Authority, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. As a new graduate, Mr. Folk joins the ranks of fellow graduates who are recognized as the most qualified leaders in the development finance industry.

“CDFA is pleased to welcome Carson to the DFCP alumni community,” states Toby Rittner, DFCP, and President & CEO of CDFA. “Our goal is to ensure graduates leave the program with the knowledge and tools to support development finance efforts in their communities. We’re excited to see how Carson applies those skills and the impact he’ll make throughout his career.”

Mr. Folk is the Conduit Bond Business Development Officer for the Arizona Industrial Development Authority (Arizona IDA). In this role, he works with project sponsors and financing teams to identify and facilitate eligible transactions through Arizona IDA and oversees a portfolio of conduit bond financings advancing affordable housing, healthcare, education, infrastructure, and other community priorities.

Before joining Arizona IDA, Mr. Folk served as the Rental Development Program Manager at the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH). During his tenure, he administered the state's allocation of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits supporting the construction and rehabilitation of more than 9,000 affordable rental units. The program also placed more than 5,000 units into service and closed more than \$150 million in gap financing across 50+ developments.

Mr. Folk earned his Bachelor of Science in Urban Planning from Arizona State University. A lifelong Arizonan, he is dedicated to strengthening communities throughout the state.

CDFA's Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program is an intense training course learning experience 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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