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COLUMBUS &ndash; Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel's office hosted the Center for Public Investment Management (CPIM) Columbus conference today, providing continuing education for nearly 200 public finance leaders from across Ohio. The conference was hosted at Columbus State Community College and offered the highest standard of comprehensive education and instruction in the areas of cash management, investments, public finance, management, compliance, and reporting.

"Public fund managers have an important duty to protect the hard earned money of Ohio taxpayers and to keep up-to-date on the best financial practices," said Treasurer Mandel. "The courses and training programs offered by CPIM give public finance officials the tools necessary to help ensure that Ohio tax dollars are well managed."

CPIM Academy offers fundamental and advanced courses on prudent investment strategies and risk management for new and experienced public funds managers alike. Basic level courses deliver the foundation or building blocks of investments and cash management, while the advanced courses address more complex topics. CPIM's goal is to provide finance officers with investment and risk management strategies so they can manage Ohio's public funds wisely.

The Columbus conference offered 14 different courses from basic cash management to understanding the finer details of debt management. Three of these classes were videotaped to be added to the next round of CPIM online course offerings which will be released

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in late October 2011, improving accessibility and convenience for finance officials throughout the state.

The lunch session presentation by Madison County was titled "Invest in your own Community" and the conference saw the beginning of a new partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) which gave a presentation on the State Infrastructure Bank.

The last CPIM conference of the 2011 series is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, 2011, at the University of Akron. For more information on the conference or its schedule please visit [www.OhioTreasurer.gov](http://www.OhioTreasurer.gov).

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