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COLUMBUS—State Treasurer Josh

Mandel recently hosted the Ohio Treasury's final 2011 Center for Public Investment Management (CPIM) conference in Akron, Ohio, as part of the office's commitment to continuing education for Ohio's public funds managers. The Conference, hosted at the University of Akron on Wednesday, October 5th, offered the highest standard of comprehensive education and instruction in the areas of cash management, investments, public finance, management, compliance, and reporting. CPIM Academy offers fundamental and advanced course on prudent investment strategies and risk management, so that the Treasurer's office can meet the diverse educational needs of new and experienced public funds managers from across the state. 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 public funds managers with investment and risk management strategies so they can manage Ohio's public funds wisely.

"It is our duty as public servants to first and foremost protect the hard earned money of Ohio's taxpayers," Treasurer Mandel said. "The courses and training offered by CPIM give public funds managers the tools necessary to carry out our mission in ensuring that Ohioans' dollars are well managed."

The Akron Conference offered 14 different courses from basic cash management to understanding the finer details of debt management. 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), who gave a presentation during the Hot Topics discussion titled "State Infrastructure Bank".

If public funds managers still need to complete further continuing education credit hours to be in compliance with state statute, there are online courses available through the Treasurer's office at www.ohiotreasurer.gov. Additionally, public funds managers can attend accredited courses approved by the State Treasurer's office and offered by professional associations.

The Treasurer of State is looking for local presenters and advisory board members for the up and coming 2012 CPIM Conference Series. For individuals or groups interested in partnerships please contact CPIM at (614) 728-4236 or visit www.ohiotreasurer.gov for more information.

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