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The Chester County Office of the Controller is pleased to announce a new community initiative to promote awareness on how *not-for-profit groups can protect themselves from embezzlement and other types of fraud*. This program is in response to a number of cases that have occurred across the County, the Commonwealth and the nation. No community organization is exempt – there are many examples of fraudulent actions that affect the finances of school groups, youth sports teams, scout troops, churches, fire companies and other community organizations.

Would you consider including the following information in the various communications (website, social media and newsletters) that go to your municipality's citizens over the coming month?

“It Pays to Discover Fraud”

The Chester County Controller's Office is offering a complimentary evening presentation on how non-profit groups can protect themselves from fraudulent activity. Representatives of community groups – those interested in learning why and how thefts can occur within local school clubs, youth sports teams, scout troops, churches, fire companies and other community organizations – are encouraged to attend. The presentation includes measures that can be taken to prevent thefts, and a Q&A session will follow the presentation.

The first class is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2016 from 7-8:30 pm at the Chester County Public Safety Training facility located at 137 Modena Road, South Coatesville.

The County's Internal Audit Manager, Sharon Jones, CIA will present the information and she will be joined by County Controller, Norman MacQueen and Deputy Controller, Carol Pollitz. The class is free and open to the public.

To register attendance, please contact controllerinfo@chesco.org or call 610-344-6155.

It is our intent to hold at least four of these sessions annually in various geographic locations throughout Chester County. The second presentation is scheduled for Tuesday November 15, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the Community Room of the Henrietta Hankin Library, 215 Windgate Drive, Chester Springs. Southern and eastern regional sessions will take place in the Spring of 2017.

Please feel free to contact the Office of the Controller with any questions or if you would like to schedule a private session for your municipality. Email correspondence should be sent to controllerinfo@chesco.org or you may reach us by phone at 610-344-6155.