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# October Newsletter

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## OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Educating, inspiring, and transforming current and future government leaders.



Providing the authentic voice for our generation of aspiring government leaders.



### Upcoming Chapter Events

#### Atlanta

October 21, 9 am-2 pm: [Build a home with Habitat for Humanity](#) in partnership with YGL Atlanta & CDC Young Professionals Network

#### Chicago

October 4, 5 pm- 7 pm: [YGL Chicago Happy Hour](#)

#### Denver

Thursdays at 5pm: [Volleyball in the Park](#) (weather permitting)



## A Note from YGL's New President, Jovanka



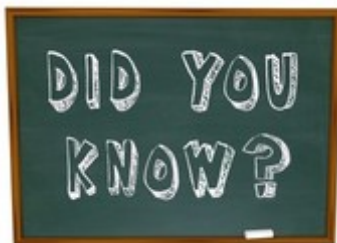
### **YGL Fiscal New Year Recap: Donations to Hurricane Maria**

YGL's Fiscal New Year Party was a success! We loved seeing many of you at Lost Society last week. We enjoyed welcoming our new President, Jovanka Balac and celebrating the great work of our outgoing president Miguel Joey Aviles. More importantly, Lost Society graciously offered to donate half of all Bacardi drink sales from our event to Hurricane Maria relief efforts in Puerto Rico. We are proud that our network was able to contribute to such an important cause.



### **Coming Up on this Month's Blog...**

A look into the critical but understated role of public servants in elections, and how to on effective writing.



The U.S. Government's first fiscal year started on January 1st, 1789, and later was changed to July 1st in 1842. It wasn't until recently (1977)

# Balac

Happy Fiscal New Year!

YGL remains committed to educate, inspire, and transform government's future leaders. As your new President, my goal for the upcoming fiscal year is to continue to push the way forward in order to serve our members and remain true to our mission. I also want to encourage active participation not just from our leadership teams but also from other members of our organization.

2017 was a great year for YGL! We held several successful professional development events that featured seasoned professionals and subject matter experts from academia, the private, and public sectors.

We also revamped our communication strategies to provide increased transparency on what was happening in our government through data analysis and information sharing. Finally, we started an initiative to help build a larger community of like-minded leaders in government through the establishment of employee resource groups dedicated to Millennials and other emerging leaders. We saw the creation of one and the reemergence of two more thus far.

Our work on our strategic priorities will only continue to expand in the upcoming year. We will continue to hold monthly events for our members, create committees throughout our leadership team for anyone who is interested in contributing to the growth of our organization, and recreate our Facebook page to further encourage our members to interact with one another and share their best practices and successes.

It is an honor to be voted in as your President. I am very excited to start the new year on the right track and look forward to getting to know many of you at our various events!

Cheers,

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that the fiscal year changed to its current calendar beginning on October 1. Source:

[Treasury Direct](#)



### What Can I Do?

Being a YGL Member presents you with a unique opportunity to become a change agent in your workplace and in your community. Find out how to get involved [here](#).



### You Shop, Amazon Gives!

Support YGL through Amazon Smile. Simply click on [this link](#) and choose YGL as your organization to support.



## Emergency Leave Transfer for Hurricane-Effectuated Federal Employees

Federal employees can donate unused annual leave to their colleagues impacted by Hurricane Irma. OPM has set up an official emergency leave transfer program. It's the second one set up this month to help survivors impacted by recent hurricanes. Employees who wish to donate annual leave must contact their own agencies, not OPM, to determine if there are any affected employees in their agency and how to donate annual leave to them. Read OPM's statement [here](#).



## Take our Diversity Survey!

Does the millennial generation working in public service view diversity differently or the same as other generations? Help us find out by participating in this short survey. Five minutes is all it takes! Click [here](#) to

access. Thank you for in advance for sharing your perspective.

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