Sustainable Fiscal Practices - An IOPA Tier One Issue

There are two reasons why this is a top IOPA issue. 1) Inhouse Expertise; and 2) Global Importance.

1) IOPA Chief Merrifield and IOPA Senior Fellow Barry Poulson have several books and articles on different aspects of national and state fiscal performance, worldwide.

2) The fiscal practices of several countries (US included), and a few US states, are widely seen as unsustainable. How those unsustainable practices end is quite important.

Research projects underway:

Planned projects (comments and financial support would be greatly appreciated), including proposals:

Stand Together Proposal
Support Article 5 Movement with simulations of different rules for a Fiscal Responsibility Amendment.

Important Fiscal Reform Books and Articles:

Several Books

Other - e-mail IOPAChief@policytalk.org to recommend additions.

Blog Post - more forthcoming

Tools:

A) Federal Calculator is available to simulate fiscal rules to cap spending growth. Eventually, it will be an online calculator. Until then, work with John and Barry to create a simulation.

B) For several states, a State Calculator is available to simulate fiscal rules to cap spending growth. The basic template can be adapted to additional states, as needed. Eventually, it will be an online calculator. Until then, work with John and Barry to create state simulations.