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Ten miles south of Atlanta lie the Tri-Cities: College Park, East Point, and Hapeville. Nestled beside the world's busiest airport and linked by a shared high school where Big Boi and Andre 3000 met back in the early '90s, the cities run deep with history, small-town vibes, and storied architecture.

The recession hit the Tri-Cities area especially hard, but residents attest that they're now in the midst of a renaissance. "I've seen a lot of the transformation," says Kathleen 'Wineaux Kat' McQueen, who moved to College Park in 2008 "just before the bubble burst and everything came to a dead halt." McQueen says that over the past few years, the cities have come back to life.



OPEN BAR: Michele K. Tompkins (left), managing partner/executive chef, and Kathleen B. McQueen, managing partner/beverage director, of Urban Foodie Feed Store in College Park. | JOEY DAVIS



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