

# Georgia Municipal Association

2025 ANNUAL CONVENTION | JUNE 20-24



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Larry Hanson



## Welcome to the Georgia Municipal Association's Annual Convention!

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 2025 Annual Convention in the beautiful city of Savannah. Each year, this gathering serves as a time for learning, inspiration, collaboration, and community. This year is no exception. We are excited to come together under the theme "The Power of Positive Leadership."

This year's theme highlights the transformative influence of optimism, resilience, and purpose-driven leadership. As leaders of Georgia's cities, we understand positivity is not just a mindset. This strategy can empower our teams, strengthen our communities, and help us overcome challenges with clarity and confidence.

We are honored to welcome the best-selling author and internationally recognized leadership expert Jon Gordon as our keynote speaker. His message will challenge and inspire us. Jon's work, including *The Energy Bus* and *The Power of Positive Leadership*, has impacted millions across the globe, and we are thrilled to bring his insights to our membership.

We are honored that Justice Verda M. Colvin of the Supreme Court of Georgia will speak during our Business Meeting. Justice Colvin's story and dedication to service will leave a lasting impact on us all.

This year, the newly expanded Savannah Convention Center offers an enhanced experience with more exhibit space, a larger ballroom, modern breakout rooms, and improved amenities. The upgrades provide a more comfortable and connected environment for learning and networking. With additional parking options and new water transportation vessels, we believe the overall member experience will be enhanced.

The convention features a robust schedule with over fifty training classes, policy committee meetings, district sessions, and concurrent breakouts. Each session is designed to address the real-world challenges and opportunities facing our cities. From economic development and infrastructure to housing, public safety, and civic engagement, there is something for everyone.

Be sure to visit the Municipal Marketplace to discover innovative tools, services, and partnerships that can help your city thrive. The Marketplace opens late Saturday afternoon and continues through Sunday afternoon. It is an excellent opportunity to engage with industry experts and gather ideas that can move your community forward.

Beyond the educational offerings, this event is a time to build connections and strengthen relationships. Whether in a session, at a reception, or walking along Savannah's historic riverfront, I encourage you to take full advantage of the opportunities to connect with fellow leaders who share your commitment to service.

Thank you for the vital work you do every day in your communities. It is a privilege to serve alongside you and support your efforts. Through the power of positive leadership, we can build a stronger future for all of Georgia's cities.

Welcome to Savannah and thank you for being part of this year's Annual Convention.

Sincerely,



Larry H. Hanson  
GMA CEO and Executive Director



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## CONVENTION INFORMATION

### GMA WELCOME CENTER

The Welcome Center, located in the River Concourse at the Savannah Convention Center, is the place for registration, information and interactive fun.

The Georgia Municipal Clerks Association's 50/50 raffle and Silent Auction return to this year's convention and can be found in the Welcome Center.

The Welcome Center is your "go to" for meeting up with other convention attendees, networking and getting reacquainted with old friends.

### INFORMATION/REGISTRATION DESK SCHEDULE:

Friday, June 20: 7:00 am – 4:30 pm

Saturday, June 21: 7:00 am – 6:00 pm

Sunday, June 22: 7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Monday, June 23: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

### MUNICIPAL MARKETPLACE

The Municipal Marketplace provides a great opportunity to learn about a wide range of products and services available to your city.

The Municipal Marketplace will be open during the following hours:

Saturday, June 21: 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Sunday, June 22: 10:30 am – 2:00 pm

Please be respectful of our exhibitors, as they are here to do business. All children must be accompanied by an adult while in the Municipal Marketplace. Everyone, including children, must have a name badge to enter the Municipal Marketplace.

### BADGES

Each officially registered person (including spouses, guests, and children) will receive a badge with a QR code that grants access to every event, even those purchased individually, and allows them to pick up the delegate gift.

Badges must be worn at all events and are required for entry into the Municipal Marketplace.



## CONVENTION INFORMATION

### AWARDS LUNCHEON CEREMONY

The Awards Ceremony will be held on Monday as a luncheon. Awards and recognitions will include:

- Municipal Government Hall of Fame
- Georgia Cities Foundation's Renaissance Award and Starr Award
- Clerk of the Year Award
- Cities and Organizations of Civility
- Cities and Organizations of Ethics
- Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute Certificates and 400 Club
- Recognition of Mayor's Reading Club Participants

A ticket for this event must be purchased in advance. If you have not purchased a ticket for this event, stop by the registration desk before 5:00 pm on Saturday, June 21, while supplies last.

### MONDAY EVENING CLOSING EVENT

This year's closing event will provide an evening of food, fun and entertainment. It will take place on Monday, June 23, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Governor's Ballroom at the Savannah Convention Center.

### DELEGATE GIFT PICK UP IN THE MUNICIPAL MARKETPLACE

To receive your gift, have your badge scanned on Saturday or Sunday at the delegate gift counter located in the GMA resource area of the Municipal Marketplace.

### RIBBONS

Ribbons are available in the Welcome Center for:

400 Club	Certificate of Achievement
Children and Youth Advisory Council	Certificate of Recognition
Community and Workplace Culture Advisory Council	Certificate of Distinction
Municipal Workforce Advisory Council	Certificate of Dedication
Member Services Advisory Council	Board of Directors
Legislative Policy Council	Policy Committee Chair
Federal Policy Council	City of Ethics
Sponsor	City of Civility
RMEBS Trustee	Business Alliance Program
Municipal Training Board	First Time Attendee
Certificate of Excellence	Mayor's Reading Club



## CONVENTION INFORMATION

### WIRELESS INTERNET SERVICE

Wireless Internet service is provided throughout the Savannah Convention Center.

Log on to: GMA\_WiFi\_by\_GeorgiaPower

The password is 2025GMA!

### ENGAGE DURING GMA'S ANNUAL CONVENTION

Be part of the conversation during GMA's Annual Convention! Follow us @gacities and share your experience using #gacities.

### GACITIES APP

GACities app is FREE and available in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store. Scan the appropriate QR code to download the app for the up-to-the-minute schedule, session descriptions, listings of exhibitors and sponsors and all pertinent information while in Savannah.



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### GMA RESOURCE AREAS

The GMA Resource Area will be in the Municipal Marketplace in the GMA Booth on Saturday and Sunday. On Monday, the GMA Resource Table will be in the Rotunda of the Savannah Convention Center.

### DRESS

Dress for all events during the convention is casual. Meeting rooms can be cool, so dress appropriately.

### EXHIBITOR DOOR PRIZES

Exhibitors offering door prizes will post winners on the Message Board in front of the Municipal Marketplace (100 aisle) by 1:00 pm Sunday. Please check the board and claim your prize at the exhibitor's booth before 2:00 pm Sunday. While in the Marketplace, thank our exhibitors—their support helps keep attendee costs down.



## CONVENTION INFORMATION

### GMCA 50/50 RAFFLE

The Georgia Municipal Clerks Association will be having a 50/50 drawing during the convention. The drawing will be held at the Awards Luncheon on Monday, June 23. The proceeds of the raffle will be used to offer training scholarships to city clerks to complete their 100 hours of education needed for the Georgia Certified Clerk designation.

### GMCA SILENT AUCTION

The Georgia Municipal Clerks Association will be having a Silent Auction on Friday, June 20 – Monday, June 23 located in the GMA Welcome Center in the Savannah Convention Center. Proceeds from the Silent Auction will be used for hosting the 2029 IIMC Region 3 Conference hosted by GMCA.

### SHUTTLES AND FERRY INFORMATION

Visit Savannah has made special transportation arrangements for GMA Convention attendees.

#### SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

Each route has been color coded to include nearby hotels. Please look for your hotel's color when loading buses to/from the convention center. Please note the shuttle capacity is approximately 30 passengers per shuttle.

	EXPRESS SCHEDULE	STANDARD SCHEDULE
Friday, June 20	7 a.m. – 4 p.m.	4 – 6 p.m.
Saturday, June 21	7 a.m. – 7 p.m.	---
Sunday, June 22	7 a.m. – 6 p.m.	---
Monday, June 23	7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.   7 – 10 p.m.	4:30 – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 24	7 a.m. – 12 p.m.	---

#### FERRY SCHEDULE

Conference attendees can take advantage of the complimentary water ferry that runs between the Savannah Convention Center (SCC), Hyatt (City Hall) and Savannah Marriott Riverfront (Waving Girl). Detailed hours are posted at each dock.

	EXPRESS SCHEDULE (2 ferries, 2 routes) City Hall to SCC   Waving Girl to SCC	STANDARD SCHEDULE One ferry Triangle route to all 3 docks	LIMITED SERVICE ONLY City Hall to SCC ONLY
Friday, June 20	6:30 a.m. – 6:20 p.m.	---	6:40 p.m. – Midnight
Saturday, June 21	6:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.	---	7:10 p.m. – Midnight
Sunday, June 22	6:30 a.m. – 6:20 p.m.	---	6:40 p.m. – Midnight
Monday, June 23	7 a.m. – 1 p.m.   3:30 – 9:30 p.m.	1 – 3:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m. – Midnight
Tuesday, June 24	6:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Standard Schedule	---



## CONVENTION INFORMATION



## HOTELS & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

AC Marriott	912-912-9200
Alida	912-715-7000
Andaz	912-233-2116
Doubletree by Hilton	912-790-7000
Embassy Suites	912-330-8222
Hampton Inn (Oglethorpe St.)	912-721-1600
Hampton Inn (East Bay St.)	912-231-9700
Hilton Garden Inn	912-721-5000

Holiday Inn Express	912-231-9000
Homewood Suites by Hilton	912-355-0025
Hyatt Regency	912-238-1234
JW Marriott	912-373-9100
Marriott Riverfront	912-233-7722
The Brice	912-238-1200
Westin Savannah Harbor	912-201-2000



## CONVENTION INFORMATION

### GOLF CART TRANSPORTATION

To enhance accessibility at this year's convention, golf cart transportation will be available inside the expanded Savannah Convention Center. This service is being provided to assist attendees who face challenges in navigating the larger venue. We are grateful to E-Z-GO for generously donating two golf carts to support this important need. As availability is limited, we kindly ask that this service be reserved for individuals who truly require assistance getting around. Your understanding and cooperation will help ensure that everyone can participate fully and comfortably in the convention.

### LOST AND FOUND

For help locating or turning in a lost item during the convention, take the item to the GMA registration desk. Items will be held there until the convention concludes. Unclaimed items will be turned over to Savannah Convention Center Security.

### RECYCLE

Please recycle your badges and lanyards in the designated bins located throughout the convention center.

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**FRIDAY, JUNE 20**

**7:00 AM – 4:30 PM**

**Registration and Welcome Center**  
River Concourse

*Thanks to our Convention Beverage Break Sponsors*

**7:15 AM – 8:00 AM**

**Breakfast for Training Institute/Clerks Training Participants**  
River Concourse and East Lobby (located in East Concourse hallway)

**8:15 AM – 3:15 PM**

**Municipal Training Institute**  
*Class descriptions can be found in the GACities app, training institute brochure or on the GMA website.*

*(Six-hour training classes include a continental breakfast and lunch)*

*Special thanks to Charles Abbott Associates, Inc., Decisions Consulting and GFL Environmental for their support of this lunch.*

**Building Collaborative Relationships to Solve Community Challenges**  
Room 200

**Conflict Resolution\***  
Room 102

**Downtown Development Authority Basic Training (ends at 4:15 pm)**  
Room 103

**Economic Development\***  
Room 107

**Effective Branding and Marketing Strategies for Municipal Governments**  
Room 108

**Fire and Emergency Medical Services**  
Room 100



## FRIDAY, JUNE 20

**How Shall We Live? Practical Ethics for Public Life\*+**

Room 104

**Law Enforcement Services: Trends and Best Practices**

Room 109

**Making Citizen Engagement Work in Our Communities\***

Room 110

**Municipal Finance I\***

Room 111

**Navigating the Future: Thinking, Planning and Acting Strategically**

Room 202

**Regional Approaches to Cooperation**

Room 105

**Service Delivery Strategy – Efficiency & Tax Equity for Local Governments**

Room 112

### 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM

**Municipal Training Institute** (*lunch is not included for three-hour classes*)

*Class descriptions can be found in the GACities app, training institute brochure or on the GMA website.*

**Beyond the Beltway: Influencing Federal Policy Through Grassroots Engagement**

Room 201

**Excellence in Customer Service**

Room 101

**How to Attract and Retain Young Professionals in Your Town**

Room 203

**Mobile Workshop: Port of Savannah**

Room 106

*\* Classes marked with an asterisk are on the “required” list for the Municipal Training Institute certificate program.*



## FRIDAY, JUNE 20

*+ Class marked with a plus sign is part of the Advanced Leadership Track and is needed to earn the Municipal Training Institute's Certificate of Dedication.*

### 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM

#### **RMEBS Board of Trustees Lunch and Meeting**

**Room 208-209**

The boards of the Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit System (GMEBS), the Workers Compensation Self-Insurance Fund (WCSIF), Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency (GIRMA) and Defined Contribution/Deferred Compensation programs will hold their joint and regular business meetings. The session will conclude with the Georgia Municipal Captive Insurance Company Annual Shareholders Meeting.

### 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

#### **Badge Pick Up**

- Westin Hotel
- Marriott Riverfront Hotel
- Hyatt Hotel

### 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

#### **Mentor/Mentee Meet and Greet and Orientation**

**Tondees (located next to the escalator closest to registration)**

Newly elected officials are invited to participate in a meet-and-greet event focused on GMA's Mentoring Program. Connect with experienced city leaders, learn how the program can support you in your first term, and start building a network that will last beyond the Annual Convention. If you are a current mentee, this is a great time to have a meeting with your mentor during convention. We hope to see you there!

*Special thanks to Verizon for their support of this event.*

### 3:45 PM – 5:15 PM

#### **Board of Directors Meeting**

**Governor's Ballroom A**

**Presiding: Fred Perriman, Mayor, Madison – GMA President**



## SATURDAY, JUNE 21

### 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

**Registration and Welcome Center**  
River Concourse

### 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM

**Breakfast for Training Institute/Clerks Training Participants**  
River Concourse and East Lobby (*located in East Concourse hallway*)

### 8:15 AM – 11:15 AM

**Municipal Training Institute**

*Class descriptions can be found in the GACities app, training institute brochure or on the GMA website.*

**Building Bridges Between Cities and Colleges**  
Room 102

**Capital Improvement Program**  
Room 103

**Current Issues Class: Municipal Law Update 2025**  
Westin Grand Ballroom B

**Employee Benefits 101 (Retirement)**  
Room 104

**Entrepreneur Friendly Cities**  
Room 108

**Funding and Programming Transportation Projects in Your Community**  
Room 105

**Human Trafficking: Georgia's Role and Response**  
Room 106

**Information Privacy and Security Breaches: Prevention and Response\***  
Room 200



## **SATURDAY, JUNE 21**

### **Let's Get Social**

Room 201

### **Living Beyond Expectations: The Opportunities and Challenges of the Growing Senior Population**

Room 209

### **Local Government Debt Methods 101**

Room 203

### **Municipal Annexation: Growing Pains and Growth Spurts**

Room 113

### **Municipal Electric Systems 101**

Room 100

### **Municipal Gas Systems 101**

Room 101

### **Municipal Taxation 101 – The Basics\***

Room 107

### **New and Emerging Technology for Cities**

Room 208

### **Open Records\***

Westin Grand Ballroom A

### **Public Works Services\***

Room 109

### **Recreation and Parks – Building Communities**

Room 110

### **Risk and Insurance 101**

Room 202

### **Roles and Responsibilities of Council and Staff\***

Room 210



## SATURDAY, JUNE 21

### **Strengthening the Well-Being of Children and Youth**

Room 112

### **Succession Planning: Preparing for Tomorrow's Workforce Today**

Room 111

### **Trends in Urban Design for Local Leaders**

Westin Grand Ballroom F

*\* Classes marked with an asterisk are on the "required" list for the Municipal Training Institute certificate program.*

### **Policy Committee Meetings**

These sessions provide an opportunity for city officials to discuss legislative and policy issues of interest to cities. Members will review the proposed 2026 policy recommendations suggested by city officials during GMA's spring district meetings and endorsed by the Legislative Policy Council. Meetings will be held in sections of the Chatham Ballroom, located at the top of escalators near the Welcome Center.

**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM** (boxed lunch will be provided)

**11:45 AM – 1:00 PM**

### **Environment & Natural Resources Policy Committee Meeting**

Chatham Ballroom B

Data centers are a fast-growing industry across the nation, and Georgia appears to be a very attractive location for them. Attendees will hear from a panel of Georgia legislators discussing the environmental and resource management concerns associated with this industry and how cities can balance those concerns against the potential for economic development. Attendees will also consider the recommended changes to GMA's environment and natural resource policies.

**Chair: Janie Reid**, Councilmember, Eatonton

#### **Presenters:**

**Representative Debbie Buckner**

**Representative Matthew Gambill**

**Representative Brad Thomas**



## SATURDAY, JUNE 21

**Staff Contact:** Jim Thornton, Director of Governmental Relations

*Sponsored by GMA's Natural Gas Purchasing program*

### **Transportation Policy Committee Meeting**

**Chatham Ballroom C**

Rail infrastructure is gaining renewed attention in Georgia as leaders explore both high-speed rail proposals and the expansion of existing passenger and freight networks. This panel will feature state policy makers discussing the funding, policy, and coordination challenges that come with developing a more connected and resilient rail system, as well as the economic development opportunities that may exist. Attendees will also consider the recommended changes to GMA's transportation policies.

**Chair:** Rusty Paul, Mayor, Sandy Springs

**Presenters:**

**Representative Spencer Frye**

**Representative Dale Washburn**

**Dr. Clement Solomon**, Georgia Department of Transportation

**Staff Contact:** Noah Roenitz, Senior Governmental Relations Associate

*Sponsored by GMA's Telecommunications and Right of Way Management program*

**1:15 PM – 2:30 PM**

### **Municipal Government Policy Committee Meeting**

**Chatham Ballroom BA** A recurring point of conflict between cities and their county counterparts involves annexation and city growth. A panel of legislators will discuss how the growth of Georgia cities, as well as the creation of new cities, spark these conflicts and will share the perspective of the General Assembly in supporting cities while respecting the concerns of counties. Attendees will also consider proposed changes to GMA's municipal government policies.

**Chair:** Cleatus Phillips, City Manager, Newnan

**Presenters:**

**Representative Victor Anderson**

**Representative Mary Margaret Oliver**

**Representative Brad Thomas**



## SATURDAY, JUNE 21

**Staff Contact:** DJ Waller, Governmental Relations Associate

*Sponsored by GMA's Property & Liability Insurance program*

### **Community Development Policy Committee Meeting**

**Chatham Ballroom C**

Cities across Georgia are increasingly on the front lines of the state's mental health crisis, as gaps in care access and resources often manifest in local emergency responses, housing instability, and strained public services. This panel will explore how state and local leaders are working to expand mental health resources and improve coordination across agencies. Attendees will also consider the recommended changes to GMA's community development policies.

**Chair:** Carlos Duffey, Mayor, Jackson

**Presenters:**

**Representative Kasey Carpenter**

**Commissioner Kevin Tanner**, Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

**Representative Phil Olaleye**

**Staff Contact:** Noah Roenitz, Senior Governmental Relations Associate

*Sponsored by GMA's Life & Health Insurance Fund programs through the Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit System (GMEBS)*

**2:45 PM – 4:00 PM**

### **Public Safety Policy Committee Meeting**

**Chatham Ballroom B**

Rising concerns around youth violence and gang activity across Georgia have prompted urgent calls for action from city leaders, residents, and state officials alike. This panel will focus on collaborative strategies between municipalities and the state to address the root causes of youth and gang violence. What's working, what's needed, and how do we move forward together? Attendees will also consider proposed changes to GMA's public safety policies.

**Chair:** Eric Wilson, Mayor, Forsyth

**Presenters:**

**Senator Randy Robertson**

**Representative Carl Gilliard**





## SATURDAY, JUNE 21

**Lance Deaton**, Deputy Chief of Police, Columbus

**Staff Contact:** **DJ Waller**, Governmental Relations Associate

*Sponsored by GMA's Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance program (GMA WCSIF)*

### **Revenue & Finance Policy Committee Meeting**

**Chatham Ballroom C**

The evolving landscape of property and sales taxes has prompted the legislature to pass changes to property taxes not seen in Georgia since the 1970s. With these changes in mind, this panel will focus on the prospect of funding local governments in the future. What can local governments look to in property taxes, sales taxes, and fees to ensure that their communities will thrive for years to come? Attendees will also consider the recommended changes to GMA's revenue and finance policies.

**Chair:** **Skip Henderson**, Mayor, Columbus

**Presenters:**

**Representative Shaw Blackmon**

**Representative Yasmin Neal**

**Representative Ron Stephens**

**Staff Contact:** **Leona Rittenhouse**, Governmental Relations Associate

*Sponsored by GMA's Equipment and Real Estate Financing Services*

**3:55 PM – 4:00 PM**

**Municipal Marketplace Opening Ceremony**

**East Lobby** (located in East Concourse hallway)

**4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**Municipal Marketplace and Reception**

*Special thanks to Trane for their support of the reception.*



## SUNDAY, JUNE 22

### 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**Registration and Welcome Center**

River Concourse

### 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

**Worship Service**

Room 108

### 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM

**RMEBS Membership Meeting**

Room 107

This meeting is held for the purposes of providing an update of the activities of the Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit System (GMEBS), the Workers Compensation Self-Insurance Fund (WCSIF), Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency (GIRMA), and Defined Contribution/Deferred Compensation programs, delivering a financial update on the respective funds, and voting on matters that may require a vote of the respective memberships. The membership is expected to vote on Board positions that are up for election at this meeting. If your city participates in one or more of these retirement and insurance programs, you are invited to attend.

### 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

**Breakfast**

River Concourse and East Lobby (*located in East Concourse hallway*)

### 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

**Opening General Session**

Governor's Ballroom

**Presiding: Fred Perriman**, Mayor, Madison – GMA President

**Parade of Flags**

**National Anthem**

**Mayor Alan Hallman**, **Alderman Mike Rast** and **Councilmember Brett Reichert** – City of Hapeville

**Invocation**

**Shelly Berryhill**, Commissioner, Hawkinsville



## SUNDAY, JUNE 22

### Welcome and NLC Officer Remarks

**Van R. Johnson, II**, Mayor, Savannah – Second Vice President, National League of Cities

### Special Recognitions

**Larry Hanson**, CEO and Executive Director, GMA

### Getting to Know GeorgiaForward

**Linnea Miller**, Councilmember, Suwanee – Vice Chair, GeorgiaForward



### Keynote Speaker **Jon Gordon**

#### “The Power of Positive Leadership”

Jon Gordon's best-selling books and talks have inspired readers and audiences around the world. His principles have been put to the test by numerous Fortune 500 companies, professional and college sports teams, school districts, hospitals and non-profits.

*Special thanks to Georgia Power, AT&T, The Coca-Cola Company and Ardurra for their support of this session.*

## 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

### City Attorneys Session and Brunch *(ticket purchase required)*

#### Westin Grand Ballroom AB

The City Attorneys' Seminar is the Association's annual CLE for city attorneys and is the annual business meeting for the City Attorneys' Section of GMA. During the brunch, topics will cover Open Meetings, Tort Reform, Legal Issues in Disaster Preparedness & Recovery and Legislative Updates. These topics will assist Georgia's city attorneys in obtaining 3 hours of Continuing Legal Education with the State Bar of Georgia. There will also be a city attorney roundtable to discuss any other pressing issues.

**Presiding: Brian Corry**, City Attorney, Brunswick

#### Presenters:

**Sam Hatcher**, Executive Counsel, Office of Governor Brian Kemp

**Christine Hayes**, Deputy Executive Counsel, Office of Governor Brian Kemp

**James Beal**, Executive Director, Georgians for Lawsuit Reform

**Katie Hill**, Public Service Assistant Faculty, Carl Vinson Institute of Government



## SUNDAY, JUNE 22

**Jordan Corbitt**, Associate, Baker Donelson

**Courtney Terwilliger**, Public Safety Coordinator, Emanuel County, Georgia

**Rusi Patel**, General Counsel, Georgia Municipal Association

**Ryan Bowersox**, Assistant General Counsel, Georgia Municipal Association

*Special thanks to Alston & Bird, Elarbee Thompson, Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP and Gallagher Bassett for their support of this session.*

### 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM

#### **Municipal Marketplace**

*Lunch will take place in the Municipal Marketplace from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm.*

*Special thanks to Consolidated Pipe & Supply for their support of this lunch.*

### 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

#### **Legislative Policy Council Meeting**

**Room 208-210**

The Legislative Policy Council will review the recommendations from the standing policy committees and vote to move the proposed legislative policies for 2026 to the full membership for final approval.

**Presiding: Andrea Gibby**, Mayor, Young Harris – GMA Second Vice President

**Speaker: Senator Randy Robertson**

**Staff Contact: Jim Thornton**, Director, Governmental Relations

### 11:00 AM – 11:45 AM

#### **Children's Reading Event with Justice Verda M. Colvin**

**Room 212**



Convention delegates are invited to bring their children and grandchildren to a special story time with Justice Verda M. Colvin of the Supreme Court of Georgia. Along with reading a special book to everyone, Justice Colvin will take a few moments to share her personal journey, reflect on someone who inspired her, and encourage young listeners to believe in themselves, dream big, and stay engaged in their communities.



## SUNDAY, JUNE 22

With 125+ Georgia Mayors now participating in our Mayor's Reading Club, this event supports our Association's commitment to literacy and civic engagement. Today, 68% of Georgia's third graders are not reading on grade level—a crisis that requires action from all sectors: families, businesses, faith communities, civic leaders, and beyond. Building strong readers and future leaders is a shared responsibility.

Each family in attendance will receive a copy of the book read by Justice Colvin to take home and enjoy!

**Staff Contact:** Chan Weeks, Senior Program Manager, GeorgiaForward

### 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

#### **City Managers Session and Lunch** *(ticket purchase required)*

##### **Chatham Ballroom A**

Georgia was among the fastest-growing states in the United States over the past decade, with a population increase of more than one million people. An aging population and regionally uneven population growth are critical demographic trends for leaders to consider. For example, currently 25% of all Georgians are over 55, but in 2000 that demographic made up only 15% of the state's population. Additionally, half of the state's growth during the past decade was concentrated in five counties, while 68 counties lost population. This session will use the latest data to highlight these trends and others unfolding across the Peach State.

**Presenter:** Taylor Hafley, PhD, Applied Demographer, Carl Vinson Institute of Government

**Staff Contact:** Erica Grier, Senior Conferences and Events Manager

*Special thanks to Charter Communications, Crews & Associates, Davenport Public Finance, MEAG Power, New South Construction Company and Schneider Electric for their support of this session.*

### 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

#### **Federal Policy Council Meeting**

##### **Room 208-210**

Members of the Federal Policy Council will be briefed on the current landscape of executive and legislative activity at the federal level. They will discuss how city leaders can most effectively shape federal policy to reflect ongoing needs around infrastructure, water and sewer upgrades, housing, digital connectivity, and community development at large. Any city official attending the conference is welcome to observe this meeting.



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**Presiding:** Jimmy Burnette, Mayor, Suwanee – GMA Third Vice President

**Staff Contact:** Claire Chan, Manager, Research and Federal Relations

### 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

#### **Municipal Training Board Meeting**

Room 211

The Municipal Training Board will discuss matters related to the Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute and receive updates from staff of GMA and the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

**Chair:** Catherine Rice, Commissioner, Augusta

**Staff Contact:** Aileen Harris, Deputy Director of Training

### 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

#### **Rapid Fire Sessions: Showcase of Successful Initiatives**

Interested in learning about successful programs and projects that have been initiated in other cities across the state? If so, plan to attend one of the Rapid Fire sessions. Each session will provide attendees with an opportunity to hear fast-paced presentations, followed by a brief question and answer period.

#### **Small City Rapid Fire**

Room 109-111

**Moderator:** Hayden Hancock, City Manager, Nashville

**Staff Contact:** Artiffany Stanley, Member Services Consultant

#### **City of Ashburn (4,196 population)**

##### **More Than Books: A Beacon for Community and Connection**

**Christy Casimiro**, Branch Manager of the Victoria Evans Memorial Library

The Victoria Evans Memorial Library in the city of Ashburn has become a vibrant hub for learning, connection, and community. From free internet and creative programs to increased attendance and engagement, they are bridging gaps and inspiring curiosity. Despite legislative and funding challenges, the library continues to thrive; raising over \$3,000 through their "Giving Tree" campaign to support its mission.



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### **City of Camilla (5,089 population)**

#### **Electric Flight: Leveraging Resources & Innovation**

**Kelvin Owens**, Mayor

As a Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG) city, the city of Camilla is exploring how it can increase economic growth by introducing electric and other autonomous flight systems to its city-owned airport while potentially developing a model for other cities to explore.

### **City of Cleveland (3,539 population)**

#### **Full Speed Ahead: Cleveland's Leap in Infrastructure and Innovation**

**Josh Turner**, Mayor

Cleveland is advancing major infrastructure upgrades while keeping daily services on track. A \$19 million grant is expanding the wastewater-treatment plant for greater capacity and resilience. The city is also constructing a modern fire station and drilling new wells to safeguard water supply. Together, these projects show Cleveland's ability to secure funding and deliver large-scale improvements without missing a beat in everyday operations.

### **City of Commerce (8,287 population)**

#### **From Vision to Reality: The Development of the Commerce Administrative Complex**

**Matthew Hailey**, City Manager

**Sandra Haggard**, Deputy City Manager

Planning for the Commerce Civic Center began in 2021 with city leaders recognizing the need for a larger, more functional facility. City staff worked with engineers and designers to create a modern, smart building. Today, the Commerce Administrative Complex serves as a central hub for city services and community engagement, housing City Hall, Council Chambers, City Court, department offices, and event spaces. This session will walk through how the city of Commerce brought this project to life from start to finish.

### **City of Screven (803 population)**

#### **Youth Leadership Wayne: Connecting Students to Community**

**Jason Weaver**, Mayor

Screven launched the Youth Leadership Wayne Program to engage and develop future community leaders. This year-long initiative meets one day each month for 11 months, with each session highlighting a different sector of the community. Focus areas include agriculture, tourism, local government, state government and economic development (including a trip to Atlanta), healthcare, ports, and more. Through these immersive experiences, students gain a deeper understanding of the resources, opportunities, and



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operations within the region. The program has proven to be a meaningful and inspiring introduction to leadership for local youth.

### **City of Springfield (3,284 population)**

**The Mars Theatre Restoration Erin Phillips**, Planning & Development Director

Ten years ago, the city of Springfield purchased and restored its historic one-screen downtown theatre. Since then, it has become a cornerstone of downtown entertainment and a catalyst for revitalization and growth in the area. Springfield will share the restoration process and its lasting impact on the community.

### **City of Walnut Grove (1,575 population)**

**Envision Walnut Grove**

**Stephanie Moncrief**, Mayor

Envision Walnut Grove is a community-driven planning process developed to help the City Council plan for and define a vision for the future of Walnut Grove. A community vision is essential for future planning as it guides decision-making, unites community members around a shared purpose, and offers a clear sense of direction. At the heart of Walnut Grove's initiative is a commitment to public engagement.

### **Large City Rapid Fire**

**Room 102-104**

**Moderator: Jason Dozier**, Councilmember, Atlanta

**Staff Contact: Michael McPherson**, Member Services Consultant

### **City of Canton (36,857 population)**

**Citizen Engagement Survey**

**Billy Peppers**, City Manager

In partnership with a third party, the city of Canton conducted its first citizen survey. Armed with the findings and over 10,000 survey comments, city leaders acted on the results; posting short videos on recreation, transportation and growth that explained key projects, highlighted collaboration opportunities and offered quick civics lessons. The city followed up with a ward-based town hall meetings, school field trips to City Hall, and outreach through local civic organizations.





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### **City of Doraville (10,780 population)**

#### **Assembly Studios Project**

**Gerald Evans**, Councilmember

The Assembly project in Doraville is transforming the city into a major film hub with multiple sound stages and a live studio, attracting high-profile productions like “Beyond the Gates” and “Fight Night,” and creating approximately 4,000 jobs. Expected to contribute around \$1 billion to the local economy, it fosters economic growth, new business opportunities, and a vibrant creative community by bringing behind-the-scenes roles traditionally based in Los Angeles. The project also acquired Third Rail Studios, further enhancing its resources and industry presence. With innovative and strategic creative financing, the project is now fully greenlit, serving as a catalyst for area development and revitalization and positioning Doraville as a key player in Georgia’s film industry.

### **City of Newnan (44,940 population)**

#### **Coweta Industrial Fellowship for Teachers (CIFT)**

**Hasco Craver**, Assistant City Manager

The Coweta Industrial Fellowship for Teachers (CIFT) Program was developed in partnership with the city of Newnan, Coweta County Schools System, Central Educational Center, West Georgia Technical College, Newnan Development Authority and several manufactures in Newnan and Coweta County. The program dispels common myths about manufacturing careers and outlines career pathways for local elementary, middle, and high school students. Through this competitive program, elected educators receive a stipend and spend a week working alongside professionals at companies such as Yamaha, Grenzebach, Yokogawa, EGO, Kason, Cargill, and Blickle.

### **City of Peachtree City (40,193 population)**

#### **Peachtree City 101**

**Justin Strickland**, City Manager

Peachtree City 101 is not your typical citizen education program. Designed to go beyond presentations and facility tours, this interactive eight-week experience immerses participants in the real challenges faced by local government. Each week spotlights a different city department, where residents engage in hands-on projects and critical thinking exercises that mirror the decisions and dilemmas city staff navigate every day. With a cohort of approximately 40 residents annually and strong support from program alumni, Peachtree City 101 fosters informed, engaged, and empowered community members who stay actively involved long after graduation.



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### **City of Savannah (147,748 population)**

#### **Leadership Development**

**Dr. Jennifer Blalock**, Organizational Development Officer

The city of Savannah is committed to developing and retaining talent to support itself as a learning centered city. It currently offers two innovative programs: City Manager's Emerging Leaders Academy for developing leaders and New Director's Academy for newly appointed managerial level leaders. The session will provide an overview of each program; a discussion of the results and impact thus far; and a blueprint for adoption and implementation.

### **City of Union City (27,832 population)**

#### **The Growing Together Campaign**

**Sonja Fillingame**, City Manager

**Jade Wilkins**, Growing Together Chair

The Growing Together Campaign is focused on creating a more vibrant and united community in Union City through inclusive and community-driven landscaping initiatives. By engaging residents in volunteer opportunities and educational outreach, we aim to revitalize neighborhoods, promote sustainable practices, and create a sense of pride and ownership in our shared spaces. Our goal is to transform Union City into a model of community engagement and environmental stewardship, where residents, businesses, and stakeholders collaborate to revitalize public and private spaces into sustainable, thriving landscapes. Through collaborative community action, we aim to create a more connected, vibrant collective of neighborhoods that celebrate the diversity and unity of Union City.

### **City of Woodstock (38,473 population)**

#### **Made Mercantile**

**Jeff Moon**, City Manager

As part of the Woodstock Downtown Development Authority (DDA), Made Mercantile is a creative collaboration space that allows retail makers the opportunity to produce their product, test them in a retail setting and collaborate with other retail makers with one goal in common: to incubate business owners within Woodstock who are interested in developing consumer products to market at a larger scale. There is room for 15 businesses at any given time. Since opening in 2020, Made Mercantile has "graduated" over 20 businesses.



## **SUNDAY, JUNE 22**

### **3:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Voting Credential Pickup**

Governor's Pre-function

### **3:30 PM – 5:00 PM**

**Business Meeting and Installation of Officers and Board of Directors**

Governor's Ballroom

**Presiding: Fred Perriman, Mayor, Madison – GMA President**



**Speaker**

**Justice Verda M. Colvin, Supreme Court of Georgia**

**Report from the Legislative Policy Council and Adoption of the 2026  
Legislative Policies**

**Andrea Gibby, Mayor, Young Harris – GMA Second Vice President**

**Proposed Amendments to the GMA Bylaws**

**Rusi Patel, General Counsel, GMA**

**Nominating Committee Report and Election of 2025-2026 Officers and Board of Directors**

**Randall Walker, Mayor, Perry – Chair, Nominating Committee**

**Installation of GMA Board and Officers**

**Rusi Patel, General Counsel, GMA**

**Justice Verda M. Colvin, Supreme Court of Georgia**



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**8:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Registration and Welcome Center**  
River Concourse

**8:00 AM – 8:30 AM**

**Continental Breakfast**  
Governor's Pre-function

**8:30 AM – 9:45 AM**

**General Session**  
Governor's Ballroom

**Presiding: Fred Perriman**, Mayor, Madison – GMA President

**It Only Takes One Claim: Why Municipal Liability Limits and Insurance Matter More Than You Think**

**Rusi Patel**, General Counsel, GMA

**Panel Discussion: Why Literacy?**

**Moderator: Bianca Motley Broom**, Mayor, College Park – GMA First Vice President

**Panelists:**

**Honorable Jon Burns**, Speaker of the House

**Carlos Duffey**, Mayor, Jackson

**Sadie Krawczyk**, Managing Director, GeorgiaForward

**Sarah Richards**, Georgia Literacy Coach

**Federal Issues That Matter to Cities: A Conversation with the CEOs of GMA and NLC**

**Clarence E. Anthony**, CEO and Executive Director, National League of Cities

**Larry Hanson**, CEO and Executive Director, GMA

*Special thanks to Georgia Power and AT&T for their support of this session.*

**10:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

**Concurrent Sessions:**

**Building Tomorrow's Municipal Workforce Today: Local Solutions in Action**

Room 109-111

Georgia cities are crafting creative, homegrown solutions to recruit, train, and retain the next



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generation of city workers. This session will highlight three municipalities taking strategic action to strengthen their local government workforce. Rockmart is implementing targeted efforts to address recruitment and retention challenges. Thomaston's Pathways Internship Program is cultivating a pipeline of civic-minded young people prepared for public service. Decatur is enhancing employee engagement and professional development through employee-directed initiatives and recognition programs. Attendees will gain insight into how cities can proactively build a capable, inclusive, and future-ready municipal workforce.

**Moderator: Regina McDuffie**, City Manager, Brunswick

**Presenters:**

**Andrea Arnold**, City Manager, Decatur

**Danielle Jefferson**, HR Director, Thomaston

**Stacey Smith**, City Manager, Rockmart

**Staff Contact: Brian Wallace**, Director of Content Strategy and Engagement

### **Safe, Healthy and Vibrant Cities Start Here: Code Enforcement with a Purpose** Room 112-113

Code enforcement plays a vital role in preserving the safety, health, and appearance of communities. This session offers an essential overview for those seeking to strengthen their understanding of code enforcement principles. Topics will include legal procedures, inspection techniques, documentation practices, and effective communication strategies. Attendees will also gain insights into conflict resolution, engaging with the community, and promoting voluntary compliance. Whether you're developing policy, managing municipal operations, or shaping community standards, this session will provide valuable insights into how effective code enforcement can support safer, healthier, and more vibrant communities.

**Moderator: Pete Pyrzewski**, Member Services Consultant, GMA

**Presenters:**

**M. Angel Gray**, Deputy Director, Planning and Development, Albany – President, Georgia Association of Code Enforcement

**Paul Muhammad**, Director of Code Enforcement, South Fulton

**Staff Contacts:**

**Pete Pyrzewski**, Member Services Consultant

**Sherri Bailey**, Member Services Consultant



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### **A Tale of Two Cities: Creating Downtowns That Thrive**

#### **Room 102-104**

Discover how two Georgia cities have successfully developed thriving downtowns through different but equally inspiring approaches. One city built its downtown from the ground up, while the other revitalized a historic core to breathe new life into its community. Learn how each created a destination that supports local businesses, features dynamic park spaces, draws visitors, and provides diverse housing options for residents across all income levels. This session will offer valuable insights into the planning, collaboration, and long-term vision required to cultivate thriving downtown districts.

**Moderator: Marcia Hampton**, City Manager, Douglasville

#### **Presenters:**

**Monica Callahan**, Director of Planning, Madison

**Chris McGahee**, Director of Economic Development, Duluth

**Staff Contact: Cindy Eidson**, Director of Community and Economic Development

### **Leadership in Action: Cultivating Belonging and Connection**

#### **Room 107-108**

This session highlights how city leaders can embrace a human-centered approach to leadership that prioritizes connection, empathy, and trust. In an era marked by division and disconnection, elected officials have both the opportunity and responsibility to shape civic environments where every resident feels seen, heard, and valued. Through intentional engagement, honest dialogue, and courageous decision-making, city leaders can foster a culture of belonging and build resilient, vibrant communities where people want to live, work, and thrive. Join us to explore a leadership model that breaks down barriers, strengthens relationships, and redefines what effective civic leadership looks like today.

**Moderator: Freddie D. Broome**, Director of Community and Workplace Culture, GMA

#### **Presenters:**

**Linnea Miller**, President, Long Table; Councilmember, Suwanee

**Marcus Thorne**, ReCAST Program Manager, Lawrenceville

**Staff Contact: Freddie D. Broome**, Director of Community and Workplace Culture



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### **Concurrent Sessions:**

#### **Building the Next Generation of Leaders: A Civic Engagement Pathway from Childhood to Young Professionals**

**Room 112-113**

Future leaders don't appear overnight—they're nurtured through meaningful engagement and intentional development. This dynamic session will explore how GeorgiaForward's signature programs—Mayor's Reading Club, Youth Councils, and Young Gamechangers—serve as critical touchpoints in a lifelong civic journey. From early literacy initiatives to hands-on policymaking experiences, these programs provide communities with a roadmap to inspire, empower, and retain the next generation of changemakers. Hear firsthand from local officials who have brought these initiatives to life, as well as from the youth and young professionals whose leadership journeys began through them. Learn how your city can foster civic pride and build a pipeline of passionate, community-connected leaders—starting today.

**Moderator: Sadie Krawczyk**, Managing Director, GeorgiaForward

#### **Presenters:**

**Kelly Hughes**, Mayor, Barnesville

**Gabrielle Nelson**, Mayor Pro Tem, Port Wentworth

**Adam Speas**, Youth Council Advisor, LaGrange

**Rhonda Swaney**, Youth Council Advisor, Ringgold

**Member of Savannah Youth Council**

#### **Staff Contacts:**

**Chan Weeks**, Senior Program Manager, GeorgiaForward

**Tavari Turner**, Program Manager, GeorgiaForward

#### **City Hall Meets AI: Policy, Practice, and Possibility**

**Room 109-111**

Artificial intelligence is no longer a distant concept; cities are already navigating its opportunities and challenges. In this panel discussion, attendees will hear how three Georgia cities are approaching the use of AI. Panelists will share how their cities are utilizing the technology, and just as importantly, how they are thinking about its adoption, benefits, and concerns. The discussion will explore what city leaders should consider as they engage with this rapidly evolving tool. Whether your city is just beginning to explore AI or already putting it to use, this session offers timely insights for local decision-makers.



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**Moderator:** Michael Owens, Mayor, Mableton

**Presenters:**

**Annalee Sams**, Mayor, Dalton

**Bill Bruton**, City Manager, Marietta

**Jason Hall**, City Manager, Lyons

**Staff Contacts:**

**Brian Wallace**, Director of Content Strategy and Engagement

**Kelly Tullis**, Chief Information Officer

### **When the Storm Hits: Lessons in Readiness and Resilience**

#### **Room 102-104**

When Hurricane Helene struck, many municipalities found themselves unprepared for the complex challenges that followed. This session will explore the critical issues exposed by the storms, including breakdowns in communication, lack of pre-established debris removal agreements, competition for limited resources, and navigating unfunded mandates. Attendees will also gain valuable insights into the process of applying for state and federal assistance and what to expect during the reimbursement timeline. A panel of experienced local officials and representatives from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency will share practical lessons learned and strategies for building stronger, more resilient emergency response plans.

**Moderator:** Karen Williams, Mayor, Pooler

**Presenters:**

**Garnett Johnson**, Mayor, Augusta

**Kimberly Carter**, Division Director, Community Finance Division, Georgia Department of Community Affairs

**Hayden Hancock**, City Manager, Nashville

**Courtney Terwilliger**, Public Safety Coordinator, Emanuel County

**LaTashae Walker**, Ed.S., Manager, Public Assistance Department, Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

**Staff Contacts:**

**Sherri Bailey**, Member Services Consultant

**Pete Pyrzewski**, Member Services Consultant





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### **Healthy Cities, Strong Communities: Elevating Public Health Through Municipal Leadership** **Room 107-108**

Municipal leaders have the platform to help members of their communities obtain extra support in achieving emotional and physical wellness. This session will provide information to municipal leaders to help expand community-based health resources, including mental health. Additionally, municipal leaders have the ability to change the course of public health in their communities by partnering with medical professionals and organizations who want to change negative health outcomes in Georgia cities. This panel will focus on what city leaders across Georgia can do to improve health care in their communities through reliable research, creative strategies, sustainable solutions, and effective communication.

**Moderator: Rusi Patel**, General Counsel, GMA

#### **Presenters:**

**Grace Bagwell Adams**, PhD, MPA, Associate Professor, Health Policy and Management, University of Georgia College of Public Health

**Shirley “Bella” E. Borghi**, Executive Director and Vice Chairman, Hispanic Health Coalition of Georgia; Co-Chair of Georgia CEAL CCB

**Katrina Brantley**, DrPH, MPH, Project Director, Georgia CEAL, Community Health and Preventative Medicine, Morehouse School of Medicine

**Staff Contact: Rusi Patel**, General Counsel

### **12:30 PM – 2:15 PM**

#### **Awards Luncheon**

**Governor’s Ballroom**

**Presiding: Fred Perriman**, Mayor, Madison – GMA President

#### **Invocation**

**Keith Turman**, Mayor, Royston

#### **Clerk of the Year Award Presentation**

**Vernice Thompson**, City Clerk, Hazlehurst – President, Georgia Municipal Clerks Association

#### **Recognition of Cities of Ethics and Civility**

**Jimmy Burnette**, Mayor, Suwanee – GMA Third Vice President



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### **Presentation of Training Certificates**

**Catherine Rice**, Commissioner, Augusta – Chair, Municipal Training Board

**Rob Gordon**, Director, Carl Vinson Institute of Government

**Aileen Harris**, Deputy Director of Training, GMA

**Hardin Watkins**, Public Service Assistant, Carl Vinson Institute of Government

### **Recognition of Mayor's Reading Club Participants**

**Sadie Krawczyk**, Managing Director, GeorgiaForward

### **Presentation of the Georgia Cities Foundation's Renaissance Award and Starr Award**

**Pam Sessions**, President, Georgia Cities Foundation

### **Municipal Government Hall of Fame Presentation**

**Michael Chidester**, Mayor, Byron – Chair, GMA Awards Committee

*Special thanks to Georgia Power, The Coca-Cola Company and Ardurra for their support of this session.*

## **2:30 PM – 3:45 PM**

### **District Meetings**

#### **2:30 pm – 2:45 pm: Networking and Refreshments**

#### **2:45 pm – 3:45 pm: Information Session**

Each meeting will focus on an urgent and growing challenge for cities across Georgia: municipal workforce development. City leaders are rethinking how they attract, retain, and support the talent needed to deliver essential services and lead their communities. A panel of city representatives from the districts will share strategies their cities are using to build a strong, capable municipal workforce in today's competitive labor market.

*(If you are not sure which meeting to attend, please see the district number that appears on your name badge. In addition, a GMA district map is in the Welcome Center.)*

### **Districts 1 & 2**

**Room 211**

**Staff Contact: Pete Pyrzewski**, Member Services Consultant



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### **District 3**

Room 107-108

**Staff Contact:** Michael McPherson, Member Services Consultant

### **Districts 4 & 8**

Room 109-111

**Staff Contact:** Niles Ford, Member Services Consultant

### **Districts 5 & 7**

Room 212

**Staff Contact:** Sherri Bailey, Member Services Consultant

### **Districts 6 & 9**

Room 112-113

**Staff Contact:** Artiffany Stanley, Member Services Consultant

### **Districts 10, 11 & 12**

Room 102-104

#### **Staff Contacts:**

**Pam Helton**, Director, Member Services

**Emily Davenport**, Member Services Consultant

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## **6:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

### **Closing Event**

Governor's Ballroom

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## TUESDAY, JUNE 24

### 7:30 AM – 8:00 AM

**Breakfast for Training Institute Participants**

River Concourse

### 8:15 AM – 11:15 AM

**Municipal Training Institute**

*Class descriptions can be found in the GACities app, training institute brochure or on the GMA website.*

**Capital Improvement Program**

Room 100

**Changing Demographics and Best Practices**

Room 101

**Current Issues Class: Municipal Law Update 2025**

Room 105

**Effective Practices for Municipal Operations**

Room 102

**Entrepreneur Friendly Cities**

Room 103

**Municipal Courts Post-Ferguson II: Promoting Justice, Protecting City Assets**

Room 104

**Municipal Taxation 102 – The Basics Continued**

Room 106

**Municipal Water and Wastewater Systems\***

Room 107

**Practices for Successful Meetings\***

Room 108

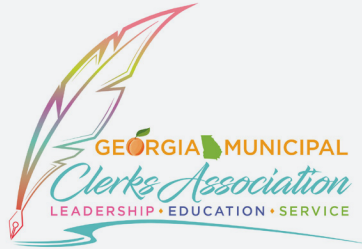
**Public Policy Development and Implementation**

Room 109

*\* Classes marked with an asterisk are on the “required” list for the Municipal Training Institute certificate program.*



## GEORGIA MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOCIATION



### FRIDAY, JUNE 20

#### Clerks Training Courses

8:15 am – 3:15 pm

Elections Training (CEU)

Room 204-205

12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Human Resources (Required)

Room 206-207

### SATURDAY, JUNE 21

#### Clerks Training Courses

8:15 am – 3:15 pm

Ethics & the Public Servant (Masters)

Room 206

Professional Skills Development 101 Business Writing (Required)

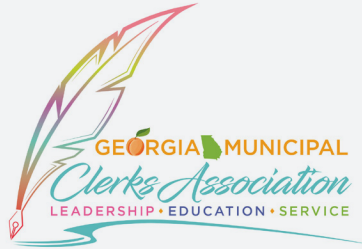
Room 204-205

Steady Under Pressure: Managing Emotions with Challenging Customers (CEU)

Room 207



## GEORGIA MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOCIATION



### SUNDAY, JUNE 22

**12:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

**Clerks Business Meeting and Lunch**

Chatham Ballroom C

**Presiding: Vernice Thompson**, City Clerk, Hazlehurst – President, Georgia Municipal Clerks Association

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**12:30 pm – 2:15 pm**

**Awards Luncheon** (ticket purchase required)

Governor's Ballroom

*GMCA Full Conference Registrants have access to GMA Conference Sessions and Events as part of their schedule.*



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The GMA Lifetime Service Award was created by the Board of Directors in 2014 to recognize elected city officials, city managers, city clerks and city attorneys who, upon leaving office or retiring, had completed 35 or more years of service. Any individual meeting these criteria and being nominated by their city will receive the award.

### 2024 – 2025

**Betty Carpenter**, former city clerk, Uvalda (47 years)

**Al Crace**, former city manager, Alma and other Georgia Local Governments (52 years)

**Sherry Boyett**, former city clerk, Ty Ty (42 years)

**Karen Jordan**, former city clerk, Ball Ground (39 years)

**Richard McCoy**, former city clerk, West Point, (35 years)

**John Stell**, former city attorney, Winder, (38 years)

**Denise O. Jordan**, former city clerk, Gainesville (35 years)

**Jeff Honea**, former city clerk, Cumming (45 years)



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<b>James A. Fort</b> , Americus	1936	<b>John L. Cromartie</b> , Gainesville	1966	<b>Willie Davis</b> , Vienna	1997
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<b>William Butt</b> , Blue Ridge	1949	<b>David Barrow</b> , Bowdon	1979	<b>Ken Steele</b> , Fayetteville	2010
<b>Jack R. Well</b> , Athens	1950	<b>Hobby Stripling</b> , Vienna	1980	<b>Billy Trapnell</b> , Metter	2011
<b>Lewis B. Wilson</b> , Macon	1951	<b>Tom Faircloth</b> , Thomasville	1981	<b>John Reid</b> , Eatonton	2012
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<b>Frank Tigner</b> , LaGrange	1955	<b>Lauren Coile</b> , Athens	1985	<b>Mike Bodker</b> , Johns Creek	2016
<b>A.C. Felton, III</b> , Montezuma	1956	<b>Bill Reynolds</b> , Bainbridge	1986	<b>Dorothy Hubbard</b> , Albany	2017
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<b>W.B. Withers</b> , Moultrie	1961	<b>Tracy Stallings</b> , Carrollton	1991	<b>Julie Smith</b> , Tifton	2022
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<b>Randolph Medlock</b> , Stone Mountain	1963	<b>Myrtle Davis</b> , Atlanta	1993	<b>Fred Perriman</b> , Madison	2024
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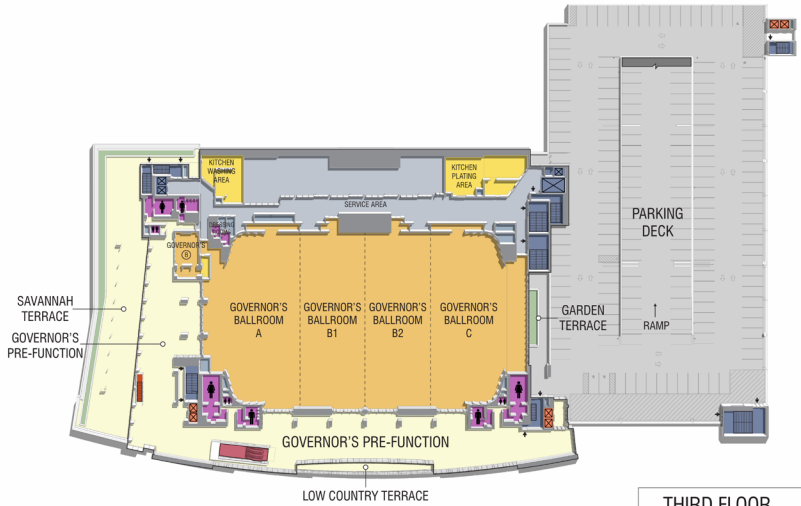
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