

CITIES UNITED SUMMIT

GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATION & SCHEDULE

OMNI ATLANTA HOTEL
at
Centennial Park

Contact GMA registration staff for questions regarding Cities United Summit at registration@gacities.com

January 22-25, 2027

Omni Atlanta
190 Marietta St NW
Atlanta, GA 30303

ONLINE REGISTRATION
NOVEMBER 5 AT 10:00 AM

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2027 SUMMIT HIGHLIGHTS



Invited special guests including Georgia's top leaders



More than six opportunities to engage directly with Georgia legislators



The Capitol Connection Breakfast and “Cities United Day” at the Capitol



Unmatched training opportunities



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The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker of the House will be invited to address attendees, with all members of the Georgia General Assembly also invited, offering valuable networking opportunities. Following breakfast on Monday, city officials are encouraged to visit the Capitol for GMA Cities United Day.

Shuttle service from the Omni Atlanta to the Capitol will run through lunch.

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2027 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

8:30 AM – 3:30 PM	Municipal Training Institute & Clerks classes (6-hour)
8:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Municipal Training Institute classes (3-hour)
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Municipal Training Institute classes (3-hour)
4:15 PM – 5:15 PM	Federal Policy Council Meeting
4:15 PM – 5:15 PM	Municipal Training Board Meeting

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

8:30 AM – 3:30 PM	Municipal Training Institute classes (6-hour)
8:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Clerks class (3-hour)
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Clerks class (3-hour)
4:15 PM – 5:30 PM	GMA Board of Directors Meeting

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM	Worship Service
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Orientation Session for First-time Attendees
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Policy Meetings (2)
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Policy Meetings (2)
12:15 PM – 2:15 PM	Awards Luncheon
2:15 PM	Awards Photos
2:45 PM – 4:00 PM	Policy Meetings (2)
4:15 PM – 5:15 PM	Legislative Policy Council Meeting
4:15 PM – 5:15 PM	Information Session (Topic TBD)
5:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Networking Reception

MONDAY, JANUARY 25

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Capitol Connection Legislative Networking Breakfast
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Cities United Day at the Capitol: Photo on Capitol Stairs at 10:30 AM

Cities United Summit full registration includes all Sunday and Monday events.
Training courses on Friday and Saturday require a separate registration fee.

2027 GMA Cities United Summit and Municipal Training Institute

PLANNING FORM

Name _____ Email _____

Title _____ City _____

Registration opens November 5, 2026 at 10:00 AM. Please visit www.gacities.com to register.
If you are unable to pay by card, ACH payment will be accepted during checkout.

Cities United Summit Full Conference Registration includes all Sunday and Monday events

(training classes require a separate registration fee)

City Officials/City Staff	$425	◯
Spouse/Guest *of Registered City Official/City Staff Attendees*	$150	◯
GMA Business Alliance Program Representative	$500	◯
Municipal Contract Lobbyist/Non-Profit/Government Agency	$600	◯
Non-Business Alliance Program Representative	$1000	◯
Monday Day Pass Only *Day pass includes Monday Capitol Connection Breakfast and Cities United Day at the Capitol. Transportation is provided.*	$125	◯

First-time Attendee?

◯ Yes ◯ No

Will you attend the New Member/First-time Attendee Orientation Session? (1/24/27)

◯ Yes ◯ No

Training class seating: Seats are first-come, first-served, and there is no waitlist. If a class is full, check the available seats list on the Cities United Summit website, then log in to your existing registration to add yourself to any class with an open seat.

Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute Classes

Participants may register for training only

Friday, January 22

8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

6 hours of training credit – Lunch is included

Community and Media Relations*	$335	◯
Conflict Resolution*	$335	◯
Downtown Development Authority Basic Training (ends at 4:30 PM)	$335	◯
Municipal Finance I*	$335	◯
Planning and Zoning*	$335	◯

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

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Title _____ City _____

Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute Classes

Friday, January 22

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

3 hours of training credit – Lunch is included

Changing Demographics and Best Practices	$235	◯
Municipal Courts Post-Ferguson II: Promoting Justice, Protecting City Assets *Prerequisite: Municipal Courts Post-Ferguson I*	$235	◯
Municipal Taxation 101*	$235	◯
Practices for Successful Meetings*	$235	◯
Strengthening the Well-Being of Children and Youth	$235	◯

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

3 hours of training credit – Lunch is included

Beyond the Charter: Navigating Government in Georgia's Cities Today (New)	$235	◯
Building Trust With Those You Serve (New)	$235	◯
Economics of Education	$235	◯
Leading With Emotional Intelligence (New)	$235	◯
Recreation and Parks — Building Communities	$235	◯

Clerks Training Class

Friday, January 22

8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

6 hours of Continuing Education for maintaining Clerks Certification – Lunch is included

CLERKS CLASS: Athenian Dialogue (CEU Credit)	$335	◯

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Saturday, January 23

8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

6 hours of training credit – Lunch is included

Addressing Homelessness	$335	○
Building a Hometown Connection: GMA Lobbying 101	$335	○
Building Collaborative Relationships to Solve Community Challenges	$335	○
Current Issues Class: Health in All Policies Impactful – Local Decision-Making to Ensure Healthier Communities	$335	○
Current Issues Class: Workforce Development	$335	○
Data Literacy and Storytelling for Cities	$335	○
Economic Development*	$335	○
Ethics*	$335	○
Evolving With Technology: Key Insights	$335	○
Law Enforcement Services	$335	○
Municipal Finance II	$335	○
Municipal Long-Term Budgeting	$335	○
Navigating the Future: Thinking, Planning and Acting Strategically	$335	○
Service Delivery Strategy — Efficiency & Tax Equity for Local Officials	$335	○

Clerks Training Classes

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8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

3 hours of Continuing Education for maintaining Clerks Certification – Lunch is included

CLERKS CLASS: Occupation Tax & Regulatory Fees (CEU Credit)	$235	○

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

3 hours of Continuing Education for maintaining Clerks Certification – Lunch is included

CLERKS CLASS: HR Management (CEU Credit)	$235	○

The Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute is offered through a partnership between GMA and the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION:
The conference registration fee includes access to six policy meetings, the awards luncheon, networking reception, the Capitol Connection Breakfast and Cities United Day at the Capitol. Training classes have a separate fee and may be added on to conference registrations.

SPOUSE/GUEST REGISTATION:
The $150 fee includes access to the awards luncheon, networking reception, Capitol Connection Breakfast and Cities United Day at the Capitol.

MONDAY DAY PASS:
The day pass includes the Capitol Connection Breakfast and Cities United Day at the Capitol. Transportation will be provided to and from the Capitol following breakfast. This option is not available as an add on to those taking training and/or attending policy meetings and/or the awards luncheon.

MUNICIPAL TRAINING INSTITUTE CLASSES:
Training classes on Friday and Saturday require a separate registration and are not included in the conference registration fee. Full Conference registration is not required to register for training classes. *Class descriptions can be viewed here:* **Harold F. Holtz Training**

CANCELLATION and CHANGE POLICY:
All changes and cancellations must be submitted in writing to registration@gacities.com. Cancellations after December 16th will be assessed a $100 administrative fee. Cancellations after December 30th will not be eligible for refund.

REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THE 2027 CITIES UNITED SUMMIT:
All Cities United Summit registrations will be handled online—no paper forms will be accepted. If you cannot pay by credit card, there will be an option to use ACH payments upon check out.

LOCATION:
The Omni Atlanta at Centennial Park will serve as the conference hotel. It is located at 190 Marietta Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30303. The GMA room rate is $179 (other room types are available for additional costs). To get the GMA rate, all reservations MUST be made by Monday, December 21st. After you complete your conference registration, your confirmation email will include a link to easily book your room at the Omni.