



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT  
of COMMUNITY AFFAIRS



### Community Planning Institute

May 15-16, 2025  
Columbus Convention & Trade Center  
801 Front Ave.  
Columbus, GA 31901

FIRST DAY, Thursday, May 15		SECOND DAY, Friday, May 16	
8 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast	8 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:30-8:45	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Mayor B.H. "Skip" Henderson III Columbus-Muscogee County	8:30-9:20	<b>Regulatory Tools for Implementation: Zoning; Ordinances; Maps; and Enforcement</b> Angel Gray, City of Albany Georgia Association of Code Enforcement
8:45-9:15	<b>Planning Essentials in Georgia</b> Juli Yoder, AICP, DCA	9:20-10:00	<b>Engagement with Your Comprehensive Plan</b> Allison Slocum, AICP, Georgia Planning Association River Valley Regional Commission
9:15-10:35	<b>Rules for Local Comprehensive Planning in Georgia: Maintaining Your Comp Plan</b> Zane Grennell, DCA	10:00-10:10	<b>Break</b>
10:35-10:45	<b>Break</b>	10:10-10:50	<b>Case Study</b> Daniel Gaddis, AICP, DCA
10:45-11:15	<b>Planning for Affordable Housing</b> Chis Hurley, DCA	10:50-12:00	<b>Bus tour of Rural Workforce Housing Initiative</b> Cathy Williams-NeighborWorks Columbus
11:15-12:15	<b>Keeping Your Main Street Vibrant</b> Cindy Eidson Georgia Cities Foundation	12:00-1:00	<b>Lunch/Evaluations-Travel home!</b>
12:15-1:25	Lunch on your own		
1:35-2:25	<b>Walking Tour-Downtown Columbus</b> Will Johnson, Columbus-Muscogee County		
2:25-2:45	<b>Break</b>		
2:45-3:30	<b>Using CDBG Funds to Implement Your Comprehensive Plan</b> Glenn Misner, DCA		
3:30-4:05	<b>PlanFirst Program</b> Daniel Gaddis, AICP, DCA		
4:05-4:45	<b>Case Study</b> Daniel Gaddis, AICP, DCA		
	<b>Dinner-Downtown Columbus</b>		
Optional evening event	<b>Post-dinner Happy Hour</b> Downtown Columbus		