

Economic Growth Knows No Boundaries

Join leaders from local government, higher education institutions, non-profits and private entities for the 2018 Triangle J Council of Governments Regional Summit to discuss the region's rapid and successful economic growth, examine how partnerships can help local governments overcome the barriers and challenges that come with this growth, and highlight regional economic development strategies to ensure the Triangle region is ready for future investment.

8:30-9:30 am	Registration
9:30 am	Welcome Remarks
10:00-11:00 am Exhibit Hall	<p>Morning Keynote: Developing a Regional Workforce <i>Dr. Eston Marchant, President, Central Carolina Community College</i> <i>Dr. Johnson Akinleye, Chancellor, NC Central University</i> <i>Dr. Randy Woodson, Chancellor, NC State University</i> <i>Dr. Pamela Senegal, President, Piedmont Community College</i></p> <p>When a company moves to the region, its leaders want to know that there are higher education assets and resources, and a continued production of talent. Even further, they want a dependable workforce that is skilled, adaptable and passionate the community they live in. This keynote panel of higher education leadership will discuss the partnerships they are pursuing with one another, and other local entities, to train a dynamic workforce, retain recent graduates in the region, and assure companies we are ready for continued investment.</p>
11:10 AM	<p style="text-align: center;">Breakout Sessions</p> <p>Equitable Growth <i>"Designing Inclusive Communities"</i> Meeting Room 111</p>
	<p><i>Michael Haley, Wake County Economic Development, Director</i> <i>Summer Alston, City of Durham</i> What is the role of local governments in creating diverse and inclusive communities? Panelists will discuss why and how equitable places and companies are ultimately more successful.</p> <p>What the Data Doesn't Tell You How to Envision Growth Workshop Meeting Room 112</p> <p><i>Monica Chapparo, City of Raleigh</i> <i>Sheri Metcalf, City of Durham</i> <i>Caley Patten, City of Durham</i></p> <p>Often the best place to start during planning is at the end. This session will focus on easy tools to identify a meaningful vision and strategic plan for any project or program.</p>
	<p>Conversations Without Barriers <i>Looking at Land Use Planning on a Regional Scale</i> Auditorium</p> <p><i>Tim Brock, Research Triangle Foundation</i> <i>Patrick Young, Durham County/City Planning Department</i> <i>Noreen McDonald, UNC Department of City & Regional Planning</i></p>

	<p>Planning at the regional scale is critical. As our region continues to grow, political boundaries mean little to natural resources, citizens' lives or businesses. How can a bird's eye view of land use planning in the region provide new insights for the future?</p>
<p>Noon Exhibit Hall</p>	<p>Lunch Keynote: The Impacts of Inequitable Growth <i>Ralph Gildehaus, Senior Program Director at MDC</i> <i>John Hodges-Copple, Planning Director at Triangle J Council of Governments</i></p> <p>This session will focus on the potential downsides to unbalanced growth and the ways that our institutions, companies and community organizations can provide services to the people who have been left out and help them move up the economic ladder.</p>
<p>1:00 PM</p>	<p>Regional Awards Ceremony</p>
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<p>1:30 PM</p>	<p>Breakout Sessions</p>
	<p>Equitable Growth <i>The Unique Role of Our Public Schools to Strengthen Our Economy</i> <i>Meeting Room 112</i></p>
	<p><i>Andy Bryan, Lee County Public Schools, Superintendent</i> <i>Anne Honeycutt, Wake County Public Schools</i> <i>Jim Keaton, Durham Public Schools Nutrition Program</i></p> <p>Workforce development starts long before higher education institutions. Learn about the initiatives public schools are implementing to teach the skills our region's students need.</p>
	<p>What the Data Don't Tell You How to Build Citizen Engagement into Your Projects Meeting Room 111</p>
	<p><i>Whitney Slighthenham, City of Roanoke, Citizen Engagement Manager</i></p> <p>Citizen engagement requires an active, intentional dialogue between citizens and public decision makers. Learn strategies for incorporating meaningful and innovative citizen engagement into your organization's programs.</p>
	<p>Conversations Without Barriers <i>Connecting Our Communities Through Regional Infrastructure</i> Auditorium</p>
	<p><i>Hanna Cockburn, NC Department of Transportation</i> <i>Joe Milazzo, Regional Transportation Alliance</i> <i>John Talmadge, GoTriangle</i> <i>Brandon Jones, NC Department of Transportation</i></p> <p>What do the region's transportation leaders see as next steps to reduce congestion, encourage mobility for vulnerable populations, and connect our communities?</p>
<p>2:30 PM</p>	<p>Breakout Sessions</p>
	<p>Equitable Growth <i>Context Driven Solutions for Accessible and Affordable Housing</i> <i>Meeting Room 112</i></p>
	<p><i>Karen Kennedy, City of Sanford</i> <i>Paul D'Angelo, City of Asheville</i></p>

	<p>Stephanie Watkins-Cruz, Chatham County Kate Rumley, Brick Capital CDC</p> <p>How does the context of your community impact strategies to increase accessible and affordable housing? What is the age of your housing stock? What are the current and future transportation options for residents? Is there developable land and what does it cost? Learn how communities in our region are approaching the need for accessible and affordable housing using context-driven solutions.</p>
	<p>What the Data Don't Tell You <i>How to Talk About Growth</i> <i>Meeting Room 111</i></p> <p>Stacey Beard, Town of Clayton, Public Information Officer Karen Rindge, WakeUp WakeCounty, Director John Fugo, Mosaic at Chatham Park, Developer</p> <p>Growth means change, and change can be challenging for residents. Learn communication techniques and methods to tell the growth story of your community in a positive and productive manner.</p>
	<p>Conversations Without Barriers <i>**Smart Growth & Water Resources Collaborative**</i> <i>Using Development Projections in Long-Range Water Infrastructure Planning</i> <i>Auditorium</i></p> <p>Aspen Romeyn, Triangle J Council of Governments, Principal Planner Pat Davis, Orange Water and Sewer Authority Syd Miller, City of Durham</p> <p>This special session will be hosted by TJCOG's Smart Growth and Water Resources Collaborative which focuses on regional issues that are at the intersection of development and water resources. This discussion will focus on using CommunityViz, a development projection tool, in long-range planning for water infrastructure needs.</p>
3:30 PM	<p>Closing Lee Worsley, Executive Director</p>
4:00 PM	<p>Regional Sandbox Series Showcase at Hugger Mugger Brewery Network with your regional colleagues, learn about regional challenges and vote for the challenge you think TJCOG's Innovation Sandbox initiative should focus on in 2019! (plus enjoy a drink from Sanford's newest brewery)</p>