



**The ACCG 2017 Legislative Leadership Conference – this year for the first time in Augusta-Richmond County!**

Mark your calendars and register today for the 2017 Legislative Leadership Conference as Georgia's county officials meet in Augusta-Richmond County. This year's agenda continues to offer expanded opportunities for education and networking with peers from throughout Georgia, and we plan to host gubernatorial candidates in a forum designed to let you hear where they stand on county issues.

**October 11 through 13  
Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center  
Augusta-Richmond County**

**ACCG's 2017 Legislative Leadership Conference focuses on issues important to you and your county!**

Learn about the House Rural Development Council, about the current status of broadband access, and about potential changes in law enforcement officers' benefits

ACCG staff will outline what we can expect from the 2018 legislative session and county representatives will vote on the 2017-2018 County Platform.

Take advantage of core and specialty course offerings in the ACCG Lifelong Learning Academy and other conference sessions that carry Continuing Education Credit.

The 2017 LLC is a time of Learning opportunities, networking and exploring Augusta-Richmond County!



## **Registration Options**

**Conference Registration Package I \$450** covers admission to all conference sessions including all banquet events and continuing education events. It also includes a Wednesday **or** Friday Lifelong Learning Academy class.

**Conference Registration Package II \$680** covers admission to all conference sessions including all banquet events and continuing education events. It also includes a Wednesday **and** a Friday Lifelong Learning Academy class.

**Spouse or Guest Registration Package \$200** includes all conference sessions including banquet events. This option is for spouse or guest attendees accompanying those registered for a full conference package.

## **Conference Housing**

Information on making reservations in the Legislative Leadership Conference hotel blocks will be in the email confirmation you receive after submitting conference registration.

**The housing deadline is September 19, 2017.**

## **Lifelong Learning Academy**

There are two opportunities to get Lifelong Learning Academy course credit during the Legislative Leadership Conference on October 11 and 13. You can also earn Continuing Education credit at conference sessions on October 12.

**TENTATIVE AGENDA – SUBJECT TO CHANGES AND UPDATES!**

**Wednesday, October 11**

**Registration/Conference Information Center**

7:00 am – 6:00 pm

**Breakfast**

7:00 am- 8:15 am

**Lifelong Learning Academy Classes**

8:30 am - 3:30 pm

- Core: County Government Finance
- Core: Economic Development
- Core: Ethics
- Core: County Government 101
- Specialty: County Insurance and Risk Management (County Operations and Management)
- Specialty: Mental Health and the Justice System (Public Safety)
- Specialty: Regional Cooperation (Intergovernmental Relations)
- Specialty: The Voice of Leadership (Leadership Development)

**Lifelong Learning Committee Meeting**

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

**Introducing Augusta-Richmond County!**

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Enjoy fellowship and hospitality as you learn about the events and activities that make this community a special part of Georgia!

**Thursday, October 12**

**Registration/Conference Information Center**

7:00 am – 6:00 pm

**Breakfast**

7:00 am – 8:15 am

**Opening General Session**

8:45 am – 10:30 am

**Gubernatorial Candidate Forum**

Gubernatorial candidates answer questions on issues that impact county government

**Policy Issue Update**

10:45 am – 11:45 am

The ACCG policy staff provides an overview of the changes to the current 2017-2018 ACCG Policy Platform in each of the seven policy areas.

**Lunch**

12:00 pm-1:15 pm

- **Key Note Address**  
Attorney General Chris Carr (invited)

**General Session / Business Session – Vote on Amended 2017-2018 Policy Platform**

1:30 pm- 2:00 pm

**House Rural Development Council**

2:00 pm-2:45 pm

The Georgia House of Representatives has appointed a Council that is meeting over a two year period to study the issues facing rural Georgia and how to return prosperity to these areas of the state. During this session, the co-chairs of the Rural Development Council, Rep. Jay Powell and Rep. Terry England, will discuss the goals of the Council and what they are doing to address topics such as rural broadband, rural healthcare, infrastructure, education and job reaction.

**Continuing Education Hot Topics Session**

2:15 pm – 4:00 pm

- Statewide Broadband Access
- Law Enforcement Benefits

**Georgia Association of County Managers and Administrators Workshop**

2:00 pm-4:00 pm

**Board of Managers Meeting**

4:00 pm

**Exploring Augusta-Richmond County!**

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Join your fellow commissioners to see Augusta-Richmond County for yourselves as trolleys transport you to the Historic District and Surrey Center for unique and interesting spots for dinner.

**Friday, October 13**

**Registration/Conference Information Center**

7:00 am – 3:30 pm

**Breakfast**

7:00 am – 8:15 am

**Lifelong Learning Academy Classes**

8:30 am – 3:30 pm

- Core: Public Safety and Public Health
- Core: Human Resources
- Core: County Government Law
- Specialty: County Retirement Programs: What They Mean to Your Employees and Your Budget (County Operations and Management)
- Specialty: Addressing Complex Community Issues (Quality of Life/Social Issues)
- Specialty: Building Sustainable Communities (Quality of Life/Social Issues)
- Specialty: Navigating Change (Citizen Engagement)