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[Six Georgia Cities Selected for Revitalization Projects through Institute Partnership](#)

Downtown revitalization projects are under way in six Georgia cities through an Institute of Government collaboration with the Georgia Municipal Association and the UGA College of Environment and Design. (more)

Did you know?

The Institute of Government provides a broad range of human resource assistance, from executive searches to classification and compensation studies. [Learn more.](#)



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911 Modernization Task Force Gains Critical Support from Institute of Government

The Institute of Government provided administrative and research support for the Governor's Commission on 911 System Modernization and Balanced Funding Model, which is investigating next generation 911 communication technology. [\(more\)](#)

Ghana Parliament Leaders Explore Government Accountability in Georgia Visit

Members of a Ghanaian Parliament oversight committee investigated governmental accountability and ethics during a recent visit to Georgia arranged by the Institute of Government in partnership with Georgia Southern University. [\(more\)](#)

Institute Partners with Two State Agencies to Update Uniform Chart of Accounts

The Institute of Government, in collaboration with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts, has updated the Local Government Uniform Chart of Accounts to improve financial reporting and help local policymakers better understand and evaluate local government service delivery and operations. [\(more\)](#)

Revolutionary War Battlefield Park Plan Developed with Input from Institute

Wilkes County government leaders and the Kettle Creek Battlefield Association partnered with the Institute of Government on a plan that will guide improvements at the site of a historic 1779 Revolutionary War battle. [\(more\)](#)

Institute Manager Assists Global Cities Association with Course Review Program

The head of the Institute of Government's training and education unit was invited to Seoul, Korea, in March to address the training division of Metropolis, a global organization of cities with a million or more inhabitants. [\(more\)](#)

State Pollution Management Plan Updated through Institute Collaboration

The Institute of Government is updating Georgia's nonpoint source pollution management plan in collaboration with UGA's Marine Extension Service and the College of Environment and Design. The plan provides guidelines for

May 2 and May 30
GLGPA Spring Conference: June 10–13
GMA Annual Convention: June 20–24

Newsorthy Notable



Phillip Boyle
Public Service Associate

Phil leads professional development programs for elected and appointed officials in state and local government and school boards, helps design training courses for government associations, and works with public leaders in diverse areas such as policy navigation, public problem solving and decision making, and public ethics.

FY15 classes are now forming for our regional Management Development Program (MDP).

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Our Partners in Training:



managing pollution from diffuse sources, such as rainfall runoff from paved areas. [\(more\)](#)

Corrections Management Staff Enhance Leadership Skills via Institute Training

More than two dozen members of the Georgia Department of Corrections management team recently completed intensive leadership training coordinated by the Institute of Government to help prepare them to take on broader supervisory responsibilities. [\(more\)](#)

Four Top UGA Students Selected for This Semester's Vinson Institute Fellows Program

Four UGA undergraduates were selected through UGA's Roosevelt Institute for semester-long internships with the Vinson Institute Fellows Program. The fellows program pairs exceptional students with mentors to assist governments throughout the state. [\(more\)](#)

Institute Faculty Member Honored for Community Improvement Work in Valdosta

The Valdosta-Lowndes County Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Association recognized a Carl Vinson Institute of Government faculty member for more than 17 years of community service with its Candle in the Dark award. [\(more\)](#)

Institute, Georgia Public Library Service Unveil New Certificate Program

Fifteen librarians from across the state earned the first-ever Library Financial Management Certificates in February through a new training program developed by the Institute of Government in partnership with the Georgia Public Library Service. [\(more\)](#)