



2018 Annual Downtown Renaissance Award

Purpose:

The purpose of this award is to recognize an individual or organization that has made a significant contribution to the revitalization of one or more downtowns in Georgia.

Who's eligible?

Individuals and organizations from the private sector, non-profit, civic, philanthropic, and private academic communities are eligible to receive the award. Governmental agencies, public colleges/universities, and their staff are NOT eligible for this award.

Criteria for selection:

- ❑ The recipient has demonstrated a passion for vibrant, healthy downtowns or activity centers within the city and through his or her leadership efforts have played an integral role in the redevelopment of one or more Georgia communities.
- ❑ The recipient has committed significant financial or in-kind resources to projects that have stimulated quality development and investment in one or more downtowns in Georgia.
- ❑ The recipient has led innovative and forward-thinking approaches to planning, development, preservation, smart growth, quality of life, citizen participation, philanthropy or financing that have stimulated reinvestment in Georgia's cities.
- ❑ The recipient has partnered with municipal officials to create a vision for one or more cities and has actively worked with all elements of the community (business, civic, government, neighborhoods, etc.) to build community consensus and support for the vision.

Deadline:

All nominations must be received by **Friday, April 13, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.** The winner will be notified no later than May 11, 2018. The Renaissance Award will be presented in Savannah during the Georgia Municipal Association's Annual Convention, which will be held June 22-26, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Perry Hiott at (678) 686-6207 or Chris Higdon at (678) 651-1018.

Selection:

The Renaissance Award recipient will be chosen by a Selection Committee consisting of members from the Foundation's Board of Directors.

2018 Renaissance Award Nomination Form

Nominee: _____

Individual or Organization

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Name of Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Title: _____ City/Organization: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

1. Describe how the nominee has committed significant financial or in-kind resources to a project(s) that has stimulated quality development and investment in one or more cities.

2. Describe, to the extent possible, how the nominee, through his or her downtown project, has generated new economic development in the downtown area (through job creation, new business, housing, etc.).

3. Describe how the nominee has demonstrated a great passion for a vibrant, healthy city(s) and, through his or her leadership efforts, has played an integral role in the redevelopment of one or more downtowns in Georgia.

4. Describe how the nominee has pioneered innovative and forward-thinking approaches to planning, development, preservation, citizen participation, philanthropy or financing that have stimulated reinvestment in Georgia's downtown areas.
5. Describe how the nominee has partnered with municipal officials to create a vision for the city and has actively worked with various elements of the community (business, civic, government, neighborhoods, etc.) to build community consensus and support for the vision.

Please submit digital photos of applicable downtown projects, if available.

Nomination forms must be received by Friday, April 13, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Forms may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, or e-mail as follows:

Georgia Cities Foundation
Attention: Perry Hiott or Chris Higdon
P.O. Box 105377
Atlanta, GA 30348
Fax: 678-686-6307 or 678-651-1019
E-mail: priott@gmanet.com or chigdon@gmanet.com

For GCF Use Only:

Date Nomination Form Received: _____ Initials: _____

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