

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	<b>2023 YOUNG GAMECHANGERS HOST CITY SPONSORSHIPS/DONATIONS</b>
<b>AGENDA SUMMARY:</b>	Approval is requested to accept sponsorships and/or donations in support of the 2023 Young Gamechangers Forum, and to expend such monies to cover expenses relative to hosting the forum.
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	<b>City Manager's Office</b>

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**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to accept sponsorships and/or donations in support of the 2023 Young Gamechangers Forum and to expend such monies to cover expenses relative to hosting the forum in Columbus, Georgia.

**Background:** GeorgiaForward's Young Gamechangers is a leadership action program that gathers 50 of Georgia's brightest young minds to develop creative and viable recommendations to real community and development issues each year for one host community. Previous Young Gamechangers Host Communities are Americus-Sumter County, Dublin-Laurens County, Douglasville-Douglas County, Augusta-Richmond County, LaGrange-Troup County, Milledgeville-Baldwin County, Albany-Dougherty County, Monroe-Walton County, and Dalton-Whitfield County.

**Analysis:** Numerous community stakeholders may be interested in supporting the efforts of this program by providing sponsorships and/or donations since GeorgiaForward is administered via contract by the Georgia Municipal Association, Inc.

**Financial Considerations:** Donations will be accepted and expended to cover expenses such as meeting rooms, food expenses, and other expenses associated with hosting the 2023 forum in Columbus.

**Legal Considerations:** Council's approval is required to accept donations and expend funds for said expenses.

**Recommendations/Actions:** Approve a resolution to accept sponsorships and/or donations in support of the 2023 Young Gamechangers Forum and to expend such monies to cover expenses relative to hosting the forum in Columbus, Georgia.

**RESOLUTION**  
**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF SPONSORSHIPS AND/OR DONATIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE 2023 YOUNG GAMECHANGERS FORUM.**

**WHEREAS**, GeorgiaForward’s Young Gamechangers is a leadership action program that gathers 50 of Georgia’s brightest young minds to develop creative and viable recommendations to real community and development issues each year for one host community; and,

**WHEREAS**, Numerous community stakeholders may be interested in supporting the efforts of this program by providing sponsorships and/or donations since GeorgiaForward is administered via contract by the Georgia Municipal Association, Inc; and,

**WHEREAS**, Previous Young Gamechangers Host Communities are Americus-Sumter County, Dublin-Laurens County, Douglasville-Douglas County, Augusta-Richmond County, LaGrange-Troup County, Milledgeville-Baldwin County, Albany-Dougherty County, Monroe-Walton County, and Dalton-Whitfield County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

That the Mayor, City Manager and Finance Director are hereby authorized to accept sponsorships and/or donations in support of the 2023 Young Gamechangers Forum and to expend such monies to cover expenses such as meeting rooms, food expenses, and other expenses associated with hosting the 2023 forum in Columbus, Georgia.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of Council.

- Councilor Allen voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Barnes voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Begly \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Cogle \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Crabb voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Davis voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Garrett voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Huff voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Thomas voting \_\_\_\_\_.
- Councilor Tucker voting \_\_\_\_\_.

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Sandra T Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. ‘Skip’ Henderson, III, Mayor