

Greetings all,

**I spoke with Michael Hourihan from Carl Vinson Institute of Government to inquire about board retreats they offer:**

Carl Vinson Institute charges **\$2300.00** for the day plus expenses/ mileage/ lodging for facilitator.

We need to determine:

- if you all want to do one together (DA/ DDA/ URA) or 2 so that the DA has one and the DDA/URA has a separate one.
- If you want to have the facilitator, come to us here at COFP in a venue large enough to social distance, or if we want to make a trip of it (Callaway Gardens/ Lake Lanier/ a hotel in GA, etc.).
- If you want a weekend or weekday retreat.
- If you want a 3- or 6-hour session.

**I spoke with April Norton from the City of Thomasville to inquire about board retreats they offer:**

There is no charge to come and visit their city and participate in board activities and they are always welcoming to a sister city being hosted in Thomasville. Each community is looking for something different, so they would need to know what some of our areas of focus would be. They can assist in helping us plan for our stay and locations to meet and provide a tour of any areas of focus.

They offered these links to accommodations and other resources to assist with our board retreat:

[Accommodations](#)

[Event Venues and Resources](#)

[Downtown Thomasville](#)

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