



**Safe, Healthy and Strong Cities: The Promise of Afterschool Programs
January 22, 2010
11:30am – 5pm**

11:00am – 11:30am **Registration**

11:30am – 12:45pm **Lunch/Welcome/Keynote**

Welcoming Remarks: Mayor Otis Johnson
GMA
GAIC

Keynote: Karen Baynes, Associate Director, Carl
Vinson Institute of Government, University
of Georgia

12:45pm – 1pm **Break**

1pm – 2:15pm:

Panel 1: Georgia's Youth/Afterschool and Cities: How afterschool programs support city goals for youth

This panel will provide participants with an understanding of youth in Georgia in relation to our three themes - obesity, education/workforce development and juvenile safety/crime prevention (Karen Baynes will provide in keynote). The National League of Cities will talk about how municipalities across the country are addressing these challenges through support and investment in afterschool programs.

Panelists:

- Bela Shah Spooner, Institute for Youth, Education and Families, National League of Cities
- Dr. Rodney Lyn, Asst. Professor, Institute of Public Health, Georgia State University/Director, Policy Leadership for Active Youth
- Tom Upchurch, President Emeritus, GPEE

2:15pm – 2:30pm **Break**

2:30pm – 3:45pm

Panel 2: Best Practices in Financing and Partnerships to Support Afterschool

This panel will highlight successful afterschool efforts in Georgia with a focus on securing funding and establishing partnerships. Panelists will represent

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different levels of municipal leadership and provide the audience with real examples on how to implement high-quality afterschool programs for kids in their cities. A moderator will ensure key points are made during panel.

Panelists:

- Mayor Otis Johnson (Savannah)
- Deputy Police Chief Gary Sparks (Douglasville)
- Assistant City Manager Lyn Menne (Decatur)
- Terry Peek, Director, Recreation Department (Moultrie)

Moderator: Kathy Wages, Family Connection Partnership

3:45pm – 4:45pm **Participant Activity:** Opportunity for participants to share challenges, strategies, etc.

4:45pm – 5pm **Closing:** GAIC