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WELCOME TO THE 2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY-IN

On behalf of the Chamber, I applaud you for stepping away from your busy schedule to be here in Washington D.C. We are excited and ready to dive into what promises to be a few action-packed days.

We are here not just to engage with our Congressional Leaders but also to get to know each other outside our everyday roles as business leaders. Engaging outside the office walls and building connections that will help our region flourish, this Fly-In is our chance to ask our elected leaders to focus on the right things for North Fulton.

In preparation for this important event, we have had numerous discussions with key policy leaders on a few current areas of focus:

- **1. GA-400 Express Lanes with Transit Mega Grant application support for MARTA & GDOT** GNFCC supports this funding application as a once-in-a-generation opportunity to advance an all-important project for furthering economic prosperity, reducing congestion, improving freight reliability, mitigating air pollution, and providing a new, safe travel mode for accessing employment and educational opportunities in North Fulton. The State Route 400 Express Lanes with Transit Project aligns with our strategic objectives particularly in advancing business growth and talent development in our region. This is a vital multimodal connecting point to attract top talent and provide access to employment in the area that is home to five Fortune 500 companies and nearly 300,000 jobs in IT and healthcare alone.
- 2. HR 7024 Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act of 2024 (R&D Tax Credits) Since 1954, American businesses have been allowed to deduct their R&D expenses in the year incurred, just like other ordinary and necessary business expenses. R&D expensing has been uninterrupted U.S. tax policy for nearly 70 years and empowered American businesses to invest in innovative new products and services. Since January 2022, however, businesses have been required to amortize their domestic R&D expenses over five years. GNFCC supports HR 7024, because, unlike R&D expensing, R&D amortization reduces economic growth, penalizes investments by companies in R&D-intensive industries—which has a disproportionate effect on smaller manufacturing and technology companies—and puts American businesses at a competitive disadvantage.
- 3. North Fulton Health & Human Services Campus 4700 North Point Parkway GNFCC supports the Congressionally Directed Spending request submitted by Fulton County Government for the development of the Fulton County Health & Human Services North Fulton Campus. The Fulton County Health & Human Services campus will serve 1.2 million Fulton County residents, with a special focus on the approximately 280,000 residents in the cities of Alpharetta, Roswell, Mountain Park, Milton, and Johns Creek including uninsured and underinsured residents, seniors, and individuals qualifying for SNAP benefits and other federal and state assistance.

In addition to these areas of policy focus for GNFCC, being in D.C. during an election year adds another layer to the D.C. excitement. This trip is also about you and offers a chance to make new connections and catch up with old friends. For those of you joining us for the first time—a warm welcome to you.

Finally, a big thank you to True North 400 and all our sponsors. This event wouldn't be what it is without your support and commitment to our Chamber and our community.





2024 WASHINGTON, D.C. FLY-IN PROGRAM

MONDAY, MAY 6

6:15 p.m.

1:45 p.m. Shuttle to Pendry Hotel

655 Water Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

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4:00 p.m. Check-In at Pendry Hotel

Welcome

5:15 p.m. Walk to Cantina Bambina

960 Wharf Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

5:30 p.m. Cocktail Hour & Dinner at Cantina Bambina

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D.C. Fly-In Legislative Focus

Rich Johnson, GNFCC Government Affairs Chair, AT&T

2024 GNFCC Legislative Agenda

GA-400 Express Lanes with Transit - Mega Grant Application Support for MARTA & GDOT HR 7024 Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act of 2024 (R&D Tax Credits) North Fulton Health & Human Services Campus - 4700 North Point Parkway

TUESDAY, MAY 7

8:45 a.m. Meet in Pendry Lobby

9:00 a.m. Shuttle Departs for Longworth House Office Building

15 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20515

9:30 a.m. Meeting with Congressman Rich McCormick
1310 Longworth House Office Building

10:00 a.m. Walk to Rayburn House Office Building
45 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20515

10:15 a.m. Meeting with Congresswoman Lucy McBath 2246 Rayburn House Office Building

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11:00 a.m. Shuttle to The Monocle

107 D Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

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11:45 a.m. Lunch at The Monocle

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1:30 p.m. Shuttle to AT&T Forum

601 New Jersey Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001

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2:00 p.m. Immigration Policy Update

Jon Baselice, VP Immigration Policy, U.S. Chamber

2:30 p.m. Transportation & Infrastructure Policy Update

John Drake, VP of Transportation, Infrastructure &

Supply Chain Policy, U.S. Chamber

3:00 p.m. Economic Outlook

Curtis Dubay, Chief Economist, U.S. Chamber

4:00 p.m. Shuttle to Pendry Hotel

655 Water Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

6:45 p.m. Walk to Nara-Ya

88 District Square, SW Floor 3.1 Washington, DC 20024

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7:00 p.m. Dinner at Nara-Ya

NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL

9:30 p.m. Walk to Pendry Hotel

655 Water Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

8:15 a.m. Pendry Checkout and Load Luggage onto Shuttle

8:30 a.m. Shuttle Departs for Russell Senate Office Building

2 Constitution Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20002

9:00 a.m. Meeting with Senator Reverend Raphael Warnock

Russell Senate Office Building

9:30 a.m. Meeting with Senator Jon Ossoff

Russell Senate Office Building

10:30 a.m. Shuttle to DCA

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- **Bus Rapid Transit**
- Sports as an Economic Development Driver
- Adaptive Reuse

2024 GNFCC LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



FOSTERING A ROBUST ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT WHERE BUSINESSES THRIVE

- We support tax policies and economic development tools (CIDs, Development Authorities, etc.) that encourage investment and global competitiveness and will create more jobs for our region. We will advocate for policies that support innovation, entrepreneurship, and the growth of North Fulton's small business community.
- North Fulton is home to world-class healthcare facilities that support our region's health & wellness. Supporting approaches that will create marketplace certainty and continued investment from our providers without limiting small business growth or access to affordable healthcare is essential for our region to thrive.



SUPPORTING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE TO GROW AND CONNECT THE REGION

- The future of our region will require transportation infrastructure that meets the needs of our businesses and community. We support state and federal funding that aligns with the region's growth and allows for the construction of Express Lanes and Bus Rapid Transit on both Georgia 400 and the top end of I-285, as well as funding that supports innovative transportation solutions.
- Access to water, power, and broadband are essential for businesses in North Fulton to grow and compete. We support policies that will allow for the expansion of these critical infrastructure assets that serve North Fulton businesses and residents.



DELIVERING EFFECTIVE EDUCATION WITH BUSINESS PARTNERS

- A well trained and educated population is the foundation for any business to succeed. Gwinnett Technical College's Alpharetta campus is the center-point for educating, training, and building a 21st century workforce that meets the needs of businesses in the community. We support state funding that will allow for the expansion of the Alpharetta campus through the addition of a second building that will meet the demand of students and businesses.
- North Fulton's K-12 education system challenges our future workforce through innovative curriculum and programing. Continued alignment with the business community is essential for the success of our region. We support policies and state funding initiatives that will allow North Fulton's K-12 educational institutions to more deeply align with the skill sets needed by businesses.



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