## **GEORGIA SMART**

Enabling Resiliency and Sustainability through Academic Research and Public Sector Collaboration

## 2022 Program Proposal



## **Presentation Overview**

What is Georgia Smart?

Georgia Smart by the Numbers

Georgia Smart Value

Georgia Smart 2022

Discussion Questions



## What is Georgia Smart?

"Smart community opportunities can help local governments and the whole region address issues such as social justice, mobility, economic development, and many other important areas,"









Doug Hooker, Executive Director,
 Atlanta Regional Commission



## Mission

Empower
Communities to
Envision and Plan for
their Smart and
Connected Future





## **Smart Ecosystem**

## Communities representing 2/3 of Georgia population engaged

1,100 Livestream views of the 2019 GA Smart Winners Announcement 500+ Attendees at GA Smart Workshops

**6,500** Newsletter Subscribers

**1000+ Webinar Views** 

**100+ GT Researchers and professors profiled** 

**80 + Media Articles** 

10 + Scholarly Articles



### **Data**

### **Diversity of Data Collected & Leveraged**

10 years of utility and housing data in Albany

42 smart sea level sensors in Chatham Co.

15 Fire & EMS vehicles tracked in Gwinnett Co.

2 Multisensor Array of Things installed in Columbus

128 TIMMs units installed in Valdosta

28 students gathered neighborhood sidewalk data in Clayton County

2.2 Million property records linked in Savannah Hundreds of survey responses from citizens



## **Impact**

12

Local governments (cites, counties) engaged across GA

\$810K

in Community Matching Funds during GA Smart Program 40+

Community Stakeholder Engagement Meetings 10

Grant proposals for project expansion and extension

2.3 M

Georgians Represented

10 +

Scholarly Presentations Given

85+

Media Articles / Scholarly Publications **170** 

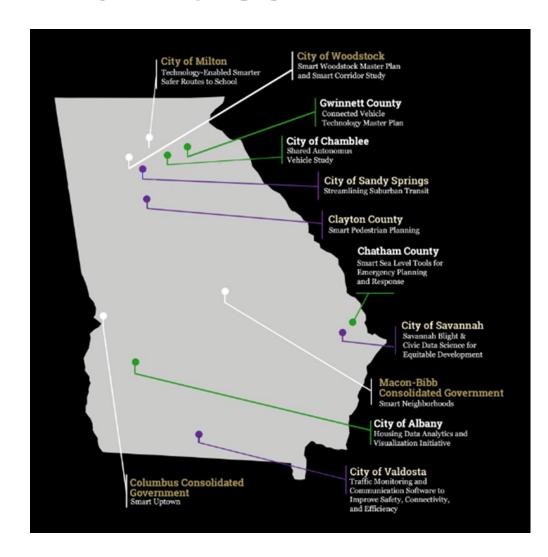
Sensors Installed



## **GA Smart Communities**











### **GA Smart Value**

**Smart** MarCom Cohort Network Development Community Outreach **Support** Journey Smart **Partner** Community **Project** Research **Support &** Corps Execution Team Connection Interns



## **ARC Alignment Goals**

Greater
Flexibility and
Coordination in
Program and
Funds

Focus on
Providing
Research to
Drive Project
Implementation





## **GA Smart Program Goals 2022**

Mobility and Equity Focused Topic Area Increase
Support for
Project
Research and
Implementation

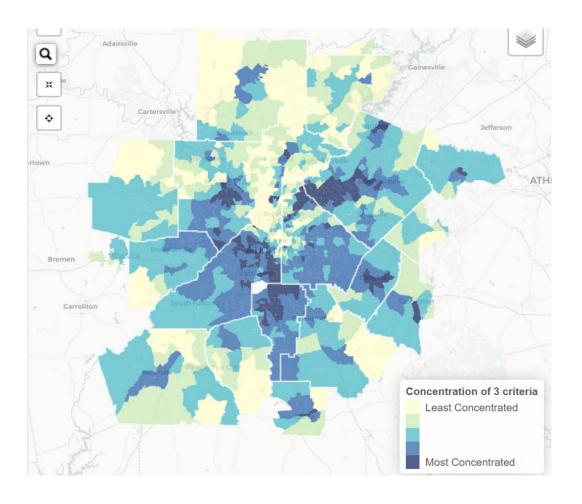
Optimize Community Researcher Co-creation



# ARC Cohort Topic Area

#### **Mobility and Equity**

- Safety
- Electrification
- Vehicle Mobility
- Micro-mobility Scale Trip Planning
- First Mile / Last Mile
- Transit / Related Apps

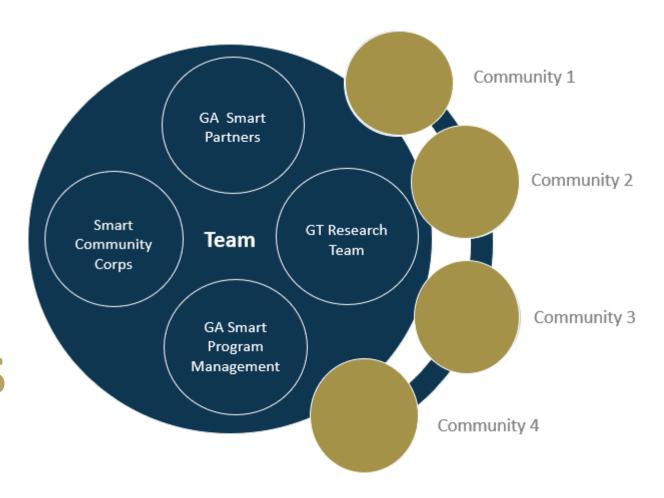






## **Georgia Smart is**

## RESEARCH-LED SMART COMMUNITIES





## **Community Commitment**

### **Communities Provide**

- Project Proposal / Corresponding Funding
- Project Champion / Project Lead
- Senior Leadership Support

### **Communities Receive**

- Research Outcomes
- Expertise without Fee
- Assistance in Project Execution
- Additional Manpower
- Workshops
- Cohort Community



## **Program Format**

- 1 Year -

#### **Planning**

- Project and Research Planning
- Community
   Engagement
   Planning

### Community Engagement

- Build Partnerships
- Engage leadership
- Community feedback

#### Technology Pilot

- Procurement
- Installation
- Testing

## Supporting Research

- Data Collection
- Evaluation
- Design Improvements

### **Impact**

- Operational technology
- Leadership and Citizen Buy-in
- Additional Partnerships



## Outcomes

Four Fully **Executed Projects** 

Stronger Community Research Partnership

Modeling and Sharing Process



## Thank you!



## Georgia Power



Atlanta Regional Commission





















## **Discussion Questions**

Tell us about any technology and data initiatives you have that could be supported or advanced by this.

What are the needs of ARC communities?

Are you interests in research, study, testing, implementation, other, or a combination?

How can we further develop this opportunity?

