



Atlanta Regional Commission

# ARC 2023 ANNUAL REPORT **FAYETTE COUNTY**

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**Our Vision**

ONE **great** REGION

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# ARC's Mission

*Foster thriving communities for all within the Atlanta region through collaborative, data-informed planning and investments.*





## Goal

**Strategic investments** in people, infrastructure, mobility, and preserving natural resources.

## Improving Mobility in Fayette

**\$18 million** in federal and state funds allocated by ARC through 2028 to improve transportation across Fayette County. Key projects include:

-  **The Coastline Road Bridge** – The Coastline Road Bridge over freight railroad tracks will be replaced due to structural deficiencies and age.
-  **The SR 279 Realignment** – Two intersections — SR 279 at SR 85 and SR 85 at the East Fayetteville Bypass — will be realigned to improve commuter and freight traffic. The project eliminates a traffic signal on SR 85 and prevents dangerous weaving patterns on SR 85 between the two intersections.



**600,173** fewer miles traveled by the **116 Fayette residents** who participated in the **Georgia Commute Options** program, saving them **\$375,108** in fuel and vehicle maintenance costs.



## Securing a Sustainable Future

The **Metropolitan North Georgia Water District**, which is managed by ARC, adopted an update to the Water Resources Management Plan that **improves the Atlanta region's resilience** to droughts by enhancing conservation education efforts and enabling the region's water providers to enforce state-issued drought restrictions. An effective early response could mitigate the need for more stringent watering restrictions during a severe drought.



## Goals



**Healthy, safe, livable communities** in the Atlanta Metro area.



**Strategic investments** in people, infrastructure, mobility, and preserving natural resources.



Regional services delivered with **operational excellence** and **efficiency**.



**Diverse stakeholders engage** and take a regional approach to solve local issues.



**A competitive economy** that is inclusive, innovative, and resilient.







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### Improving Quality of Life for Metro Atlanta Residents of All Ages and Abilities

**\$1.3 million** in federal and state funds to **Fayette Senior Services** for direct services provided exclusively to Fayette residents, including:

-  Congregate and home-delivered meals
-  In-home support services
-  Transportation
-  Case management



### Making Fayette an Even Better Place to Live, Work, and Play

## \$160,000 Livable Centers Initiative Grant

to the **Town of Tyrone** for the **Town Center Streetscape & Mobility Schematic Project**, which intends to create a livable and sustainable town center in Tyrone along Senoia Road through creative placemaking, multimodal mobility, smart technology, and planning and environmental design best practices. The study will work towards community revitalization, modernization, and sustainability through streetscape design guidelines, street construction standards, creative placemaking, and integrated smart technology.



#### Percent of Population 65+

**13%**

in the 11-county region

**20%**

in Fayette

#### Housing

**65%**

of renters pay 30% or more of their income on housing

**19%**

of residents rent their homes

## Values

Excellence | Integrity | Equity



## Goal

A competitive economy that is inclusive, innovative, and resilient.





### Workforce Solutions: Connecting talent with opportunity

- 3 Fayette companies** received a new employee and wage subsidy through WorkSource Atlanta Regional's **On-the-Job Training (OJT) program**.
- 25 Fayette county residents** received training from **WorkSource Atlanta Regional's Career Resource Center**.
- 5 Fayette County youth** received training through **WorkSource Atlanta Regional's youth providers** and in the **Work Experience program**.



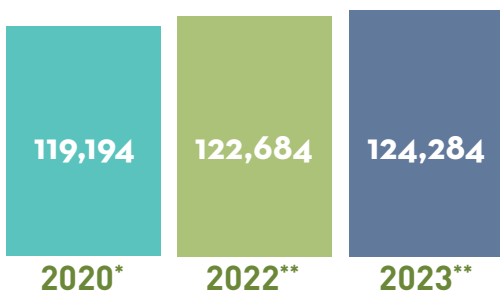
### Securing a Competitive Economic Future

ARC has updated the region's **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)**, which aims to foster economic prosperity across metro Atlanta with an emphasis on equity, resiliency, and addressing the needs of the region's underserved communities. CEDS strategies include:

-  Positioning equity as the foundation for regional and local economic development initiatives
-  Fostering business innovation by supporting the development of small and mid-sized businesses
-  Ensuring the global and national competitiveness of metro Atlanta's economy
-  Building on previous CEDS success to promote the economic resiliency and prosperity of all residents



#### Fayette Population



\*U.S. Census, \*\*ARC Population Estimates

#### Fayette Building Permits

