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Honoring our past and framing our future

2026 Affiliate Conference agenda at a glance

Sunday, Oct. 4

1–5 p.m. On-site registration, *Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

Monday, Oct. 5 — Preconference

8 a.m.–7 p.m. Registration open, *Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

8–8:30 a.m. Morning wellness, *Second-Floor Executive Suite 226, Atrium Tower, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

8–9 a.m. Breakfast and welcome (preconference attendees only), *Regency Ballroom, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

9–9:30 a.m. Move to preconference sessions

9:30 a.m.–noon **Preconference intensives — morning sessions**, *Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

Noon–1 p.m. Networking lunch (preconference attendees only), *Regency Ballroom VI–VII, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

Noon–5 p.m. Executive Director Forum, *International Ballroom, International Tower Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

1–5 p.m. **Preconference intensives — afternoon sessions**, *Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

8 a.m.–8 p.m. The Habitat Shop open, *A601-A602, Atrium Level, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

6–8 p.m. Meet Your Exhibitors Reception, *Exhibit Hall, Atrium Ballroom, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

7:15–7:45 p.m. Play It Safe! Fashion Show, *Atrium Ballroom Foyer, Atrium Level, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

Tuesday, Oct. 6 — Main Conference

7:30 a.m.–5 p.m. The Habitat Shop open, *A601-A602, Atrium Level, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

7–7:30 a.m. Morning wellness, *Second-Floor Executive Suite 226, Atrium Tower, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

7–7:30 a.m. Morning devotion, *Learning Center, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

7 a.m.–6 p.m. Registration open, *Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

7–8 a.m. Breakfast buffet, *Grand Hall, Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

7:30–9:30 a.m. Exhibitor breakfast buffet (exhibitors only), *Skyline Level 10th floor, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

8–8:30 a.m. Move to sessions

8:30–10 a.m. **Learning Time Slot 1**

10 a.m.–5 p.m. Exhibit Hall open, *Exhibit Hall, Atrium Ballroom, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

10–10:30 a.m. Move to sessions

10:30 a.m.–noon **Learning Time Slot 2**

Noon–12:15 p.m. Move to lunch

11:30–1:15 p.m. Exhibitor lunch buffet (exhibitors only), *Skyline Level 10th floor, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*

12:15–1:45 p.m. Networking lunch, *Grand Hall, Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

1:45–2:15 p.m. Move to plenary

2:15–4:15 p.m. Opening plenary, *Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

6:30–8:30 p.m. Off-site celebration 200 Peachtree St, Atlanta, GA (shuttle service available)

Wednesday, Oct. 7

- 7:30 a.m.–5 p.m. The Habitat Shop open, *A601-A602, Atrium Level, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*
- 7–7:30 a.m. Morning wellness, *Second-Floor Executive Suite 226, Atrium Tower, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 7–7:30 a.m. Morning devotion, *Learning Center, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 7 a.m.–5 p.m. Registration open, *Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 7–8 a.m. Breakfast buffet, *Grand Hall, Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta, sponsored by U.S. Bank*
- 7:30–9:30 p.m. Exhibitor breakfast buffet (exhibitors only), *Skyline Level, 10th floor Atlanta Marriott Marquis*
- 8–8:30 a.m. Move to plenary
- 8:30–10 a.m. Plenary, *Centennial Ballroom, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Exhibit Hall open, *Exhibit Hall, Atrium Ballroom, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*
- 10–10:30 a.m. Move to sessions
- 10:30 a.m.–noon **Learning Time Slot 3**
- Noon–12:15 p.m. Move to lunch
- 12:15–1:45 p.m. Networking lunch (no program), *Grand Hall, Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 11:30–1:15 p.m. Exhibitor lunch buffet (exhibitors only), *Skyline Level, 10th floor Atlanta Marriott Marquis*
- 1:45–2:15 p.m. Move to sessions
- 2:15–3:45 p.m. **Learning Time Slot 4**
- 3:45–5 p.m. Exhibit Hall closing reception, *Exhibit Hall, Atrium Ballroom, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*
- 5:15–6:30 p.m. Habitation Service, *Centennial Ballroom, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*

Thursday, Oct. 8

- 7:30 a.m.–2 p.m. The Habitat Shop open, *A601-A602, Atrium Level, Atlanta Marriott Marquis*
- 7–7:30 a.m. Morning wellness, *Second-Floor Executive Suite 226, Atrium Tower, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 7–7:30 a.m. Morning devotion, *Learning Center, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 7 a.m.–4 p.m. Registration open, *Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 7–8 a.m. Breakfast buffet, *Grand Hall, Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta, sponsored by Wells Fargo*
- 8–8:30 a.m. Move to plenary
- 8:30–10 a.m. Closing Plenary, *Centennial Ballroom, Ballroom Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 10–10:30 a.m. Move to sessions
- 10:30 a.m.–noon **Learning Time Slot 5**
- Noon–1:15 p.m. Networking lunch, *Grand Hall, Exhibit Level, Hyatt Regency Atlanta*
- 1:15–1:45 p.m. Move to sessions
- 1:45–3:15 p.m. **Learning Time Slot 6**

**Working agenda, subject to change.*