

EXPERIENCE IS A GREAT TEACHER - *What can Sandy Springs learn from Atlanta's BeltLine?*

They had to answer these questions:

- Do we want a diverse community where people of all levels of income can live in the city?
- Do we want a community where everyone feels welcome and has good places to live?
- Do we want to honor legacy residents who have helped build our city and have an opportunity to remain and not to be displaced?
- Are there strategies that we can agree on right now to assure the creation and/or preservation of affordable housing?

Event Details

Thursday, Nov 7, 2019 – 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Place:

Sandy Springs United Methodist Church, 86 Mt Vernon Hwy, Sandy Springs, GA 30328

“Confronting the crisis in affordable housing requires a coordinated effort from the City, Business, Non-profits, charitable, educational, and religious institutions, and members, as well as residents.”

Join us as we discuss these and other questions with people that know...



David A. Jackson is the Deputy Executive Director for the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership. David leads the work for two critical parts of the Partnership's mission: engaging the public and empowering residents in the Atlanta BeltLine neighborhoods. His responsibilities include working with partners to implement programs and strategies that engage users of the Atlanta BeltLine and strengthen Atlanta BeltLine neighborhoods in the areas of health, housing and economic opportunity. He holds a B.S. in architecture from the New York Institute of Technology and an MBA from the Robinson College of Business at Georgia State University. David has held leadership roles in housing, philanthropic, community economic development, and neighborhood revitalization organizations; and, has served on the boards of several Atlanta non-profits engaged in working to improve conditions in Atlanta's underserved communities.



DWAYNE C. VAUGHN is the Vice President of Housing Policy and Development for Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. ("ABI"), the organization responsible for implementing the Atlanta BeltLine vision. The Atlanta BeltLine is the most comprehensive transportation, economic development, and housing program ever undertaken in the City of Atlanta, and among the largest, most wide-ranging urban redevelopment programs currently underway in the United States. Dwayne works collaboratively with neighborhoods, city leaders, developers, housing providers and numerous other private and public stakeholders to ensure that ABI's housing efforts remain on track. Prior to coming to ABI, Dwayne practiced real estate and corporate law before spending nearly 2 decades in executive and senior level positions with housing authorities in Atlanta, Ga. and Mobile, Al. seeking to provide quality housing and bring hope to families.

Moderator: **Bill Bolling is the Founder of the Atlanta Regional Housing Forum since its inception in 1988;** He also founded the Atlanta Community Food Bank in 1979. He is a frequent speaker on topics related to hunger, poverty, affordable housing and public policy reform. His work extends beyond Atlanta to Georgia, the U.S. and across the globe. He is highly sought-after for his skills as a facilitator, bridge-builder, mentor and connector. In recognition of his life's work, Bill received an honorary degree from Emory University in 2018. He was inducted into Georgia Trend Magazine's Most Influential Hall of Fame in 2015 and was named Georgia Trend's Georgian of the Year in 2012. Bill sits on the boards of the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, the Arby's Foundation, and the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies at Georgia State University. He also sits on several advisory boards, including Convergence, Hands On Atlanta, and the Regional Commission on Homelessness.



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