DRAFT AGENDA
(As of December 15, 2021)

Notes:

● Times and days of events are subject to change.

● More details on speakers and forum topics will be added as they confirm.

● The listing of chairs or moderators does not confirm attendance.

The 90th
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of
The United States
Conference of
Mayors

January 19 - 21, 2022
Washington, DC
Capital Hilton Hotel
The United States Conference of Mayors  
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Themes/Opportunities

The 90th Winter Meeting of The United States Conference of Mayors is being developed around the following areas:

1. Launching the USCM Presidency of Miami Mayor Francis X. Suarez and an Agenda for America focused on key issues including Public Safety, Equitable Recovery, Quality of Life Priorities such as Achieving Functional Homelessness, Climate Protection, and Technology and Innovation.

2. Direct engagement with many high-level Biden Administration White House and Department/Agency Officials; as well as other key policy and thought leaders.

3. Implementation of historic legislation passed by the 117th Congress and signed into law by President Biden in 2021:
   - The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - $65.1 Billion for ALL Cities - Enacted
   - The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - $1.2 Trillion over 10 Years - Enacted
   - The Build Back Better Act - Pending in Congress
   - The State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act - Pending in Congress

4. Many opportunities for direct mayor-to-mayor engagement on best practices on a wide range of topics impacting cities of all sizes and in all regions of our Nation.

5. Important networking opportunities with our Platinum Partners and Mayors Business Council Members.
Key Information for Attendees

Participation
Unless otherwise noted, all plenary sessions, committee meetings, council meetings, best practice forums, and social events are open to all mayors and other officially registered attendees.

Registration
Registration will be open:
- Tuesday, January 18: 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 19: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, January 20: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Friday, January 21: 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Badges and Lanyards
The badge provided to you upon check-in is the official identification for admission to all events at the USCM 89th Annual Meeting. It is required that all delegates, participants, and guests wear their registration badges to enter all sessions, meeting areas, and social events. The color-coded lanyard supplied must also be worn with the badge at all times. Failure to wear the badge and lanyard for viewing by security may cause inconvenience to participants. There will be a $50 fee for the replacement of lost badges. Photo ID will be required upon check-in to pick up your badge.

Media Coverage
Unless otherwise noted, all plenary sessions, committee meetings, council meetings, and best practice forums are open to credentialed press registrants. All social/evening events are CLOSED to press registrants.

All plenary sessions are streamed live on our Facebook page at facebook.com/usmayors.

Mobile App
Download the official mobile app to view the agenda, proposed resolutions, attending mayors, and more. You can find it at usmayors.org/app. Available on the App Store and Google Play.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

Registration
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Lobby, First Floor

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Registration
7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Lobby, First Floor

Wednesday Morning Plenary Breakfast
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Presidential Ballroom

Breakfast will be available beginning at 7:15 a.m.
Program will begin at 8:00 a.m.

Presiding  FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Remarks  MICHAEL S. REGAN
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Remarks  TBA

Council on Metro Economies and the New American City
9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

This session will feature U.S. Metro Economic forecasts; Fiscal Relief Fund updates; and economic mobility best practices by key congressional figures, mayors, and experts in the field.

Chair  ANDREW J. GINTHER
Mayor of Columbus, OH

Vice Chairs  MIKE DUGGAN
Mayor of Detroit

          SATYA RHODES-CONWAY
Mayor of Madison

Remarks  U.S. Metro Economies Update
JAMES DIFFLEY
IHS Markit

Other TBA
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Mayors Water Council: Local-State-Federal Dialogue on Water and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)
9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

The Water Council convenes Mayors, EPA and State Drinking Water and Clean Water Administrators to review how the IIJA support for local utilities will be implemented. Congress has appropriated, and the Treasury has distributed, over $7 billion in the SRF programs for Fiscal Year 2022 spending for lead pipe replacements and financing through loans/grants the upgrade of drinking water and wastewater utilities, and stormwater management. Also included are briefings on PFAS and emerging contaminants, and remarks on EPA’s efforts to modify the Financial Capability Assessment (FCA) method used to assess how much cities should spend to comply with current law.

Co-Chairs
DANIEL HRRIGAN
Mayor of Akron
DEBORAH ROBERTSON
Mayor of Rialto

Remarks
Intergovernmental Dialogue on IIJA Implementation
ALAN ROBERSON
Executive Director
Association of State Drinking Water Administrators

EPA’s Policy Change - The Financial Capability Assessment Method
TBA

PFAS and Emerging Contaminants
ADRIENNE NEMURA
Geosyntec

JUDY SHEAHAN
Assistant Executive Director
The United States Conference of Mayors

Membership Connections: Sharing the USCM Experience and How To’s
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

This interactive session will provide mayors the opportunity to learn best practices, find solutions to shared challenges, network with peers, and take back new and innovative ideas to govern their cities.

Moderator
BRIAN C. WAHLER
Mayor of Piscataway
Chair, Membership Committee

Remarks
TBA
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Tax Credits and Other Incentives Designed to Help Working Families and Spur Economic Growth
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

This session will discuss tax credits and other investment incentives under current law and in the proposed Build Back Better Act that are designed to help working families, and to promote economic development and job growth in local communities.

Moderator
LUKE BRONIN
Mayor of Hartford
Chair, Metro Economies Committee

Remarks
TBA

Other Sessions TBA

Opening Press Conference
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Remarks by USCM Officers

Opening Plenary Luncheon
12:45 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Presidential Ballroom
Speaking program will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Presiding
FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Video Introduction
TOM COCHRAN
CEO and Executive Director
The United States Conference of Mayors

Video
The Whaley Presidency

Address
NAN WHALEY
Former Mayor of Dayton
79th President of The United States Conference of Mayors

Video Introduction
TOM COCHRAN
CEO and Executive Director
The United States Conference of Mayors

Video
The Suarez Presidency

Address
FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
80th President of The United States Conference of Mayors
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Armchair TBA
Discussion TBA

Support provided by Wells Fargo.

Remarks TBA

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Current Immigration Issues
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

DACA and other timely immigration issues will be discussed.

Moderators
ERIC GARCETTI
Mayor of Los Angeles
Chair, Latino Alliance of The United States Conference of Mayors

JORGE O. ELORZA
Mayor of Providence
Co-Chair, Immigration Reform Task Force

JOHN GILES
Mayor of Mesa
Co-Chair, Immigration Reform Task Force

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of San Diego
Vice Chair for Border Policy, Criminal and Social Justice Committee

Panelists TBA

Assisting and Honoring Our Nation’s Veterans at the Local Level
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Panelists will discuss a variety of efforts and programs that are available to help better serve and honor our nation's veterans at the national, state and local level.

Moderator
JOHN TECKLENBURG
Mayor of Charleston, SC
Chair, Veterans Affairs Task Force

Remarks
JIM ROSS
Mayor of Arlington, TX
Vice Chair, Veterans Affairs Task Force

TERRANCE ADAMS
General
United States Air Force

Other Sessions TBA
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

**Women Mayors Leadership Alliance of the U.S. Conference of Mayors Plenary Session**
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Presidential Ballroom

*This meeting is open to all 90th Winter Meeting participants.*

*Speaking program to begin at 4:00 p.m.*

**Chair**
VICTORIA WOODARDS
Mayor of Tacoma, WA

**Vice Chair**
KATHY SHEEHAN
Mayor of Albany

**Remarks**
TBA

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**SPECIAL SESSIONS**
5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Sessions TBA

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**OPENING RECEPTION: Capital Hilton Hotel**
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Presidential Ballroom

*All 90th Winter Meeting participants are invited.*
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Registration
7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Lobby, First Floor

Mayors and Business Leaders Plenary Breakfast
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Presidential Ballroom
Sponsored by Starbucks Coffee Company and Target Corporation

Speaking program will begin at 7:50 a.m.

Presiding
CAROLYN G. GOODMAN
Mayor of Las Vegas
Chair, Mayor’s Business Council

Greetings
TOM COCHRAN
CEO and Executive Director
The United States Conference of Mayors

TRACEY HESTER
Director, State & Local Government Affairs
Target Corporation
Co-Chair, Mayors Business Council Steering Committee

DAVID GOLDWATER
Vice President
Stantec
Co-Chair, Mayors Business Council Steering Committee

Armchair Discussion
TBA

Moderator
ROSANNA MAIETTA
American Hotel & Lodging Association
Executive Vice President of Communications & Public Relations
American Hotel & Lodging Association (AHLA)
President & CEO, AHLA Foundation

Panelists
TBA

Support provided by the American Hotel and Lodging Association (AHLA).

Remark
TBA

Announcement
Police Reform Grant Awards
LAYSHA WARD
Executive Vice President and Chief External Engagement Officer
Target Corporation

Remarks
Starbucks Coffee Company

Remarks
TBA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Technology and Innovation
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Moderator
STEVE ADLER
Mayor of Austin
Chair, Technology and Innovation Task Force

Panelists
TBA

Small Business and Entrepreneurship
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Moderators
ELIZABETH B. KAUTZ
Mayor of Burnsville
Co-Chair, Small Business and Entrepreneurship Task Force

WILLIAM R. WILD
Mayor of Westland
Co-Chair, Small Business and Entrepreneurship Task Force

Panelists
TBA

Security at Major Sporting Events
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Moderator
BUDDY DYER
Mayor of Orlando
Chair, Mayors Professional Sports Alliance

Panelists
TBA

Other Sessions TBA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Thursday Morning Plenary Session
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Presidential Ballroom

Speaking program will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Presiding  FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Plenary Panel  TBA

Support provided by the Walton Family Foundation.

Plenary Panel  Economic Development Through Microbusinesses: The New GoDaddy Venture Forward Initiative Discussion

Microbusinesses are all around us. However, because these very-small businesses are either too new or too small to show up in traditional economic tracking, their impact has largely gone unnoticed. Venture Forward’s mission is to change that. Venture Forward is a multi-year research effort by GoDaddy to quantify the impact of 20 million microbusinesses on the economy and their communities. The data is freely available to help policymakers better understand the importance of these microbusinesses, and how to best support them. Learn how microbusinesses are creating more inclusive and resilient economies.

Moderator  JEREMY HARTMAN
Vice President
GoDaddy

Panelists  TBA

Support provided by GoDaddy.

Remarks  THE HONORABLE MARTIN J. WALSH
Secretary
United States Department of Labor

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Advancing a Disability-Inclusive Workforce
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, 1 in 5 Americans with disabilities became unemployed, and the disability employment rate remains dismally low. As mayors reshape local economies in recovery, while striving to make cities more equitable, more inclusive and more compassionate, it is clear that they must improve outcomes for Americans with disabilities. This panel will showcase best practices on disability employment and highlight the new possibilities that remote work has opened for employers to maximize the potential of these workers.

Moderator  TBA

Panelists  TBA

Support provided by DOL/SEED.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Inclusive Prosperity Through Entrepreneurship and Workforce Readiness
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Moderator: ELIZABETH B. KAUTZ
Mayor of Burnsville
Co-Chair, Small Business and Entrepreneurship Task Force

Panelists: TBA

Support provided by the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation.

Title TBA
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Moderator: TBA

Panelists: TBA

Support provided by Sidewalk Infrastructure Partners.

Childhood Obesity Prevention/Environmental Health and Sustainability Plenary Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Presidential Ballroom
Sponsored by the American Beverage Association

Speaking program will begin at 1:15 p.m.

Presiding: FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Presentation: 2022 Childhood Obesity Prevention/Environmental Health and Safety Awards

Remarks: Nationwide Retirement Solutions

Armchair Discussion: Title TBA

Support provided by Comcast.

Remarks: TBA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Investing in America’s Future: The Role of Education and Workforce Development in Equitable Recovery
2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Moderator: KATE GALLEGEO
Mayor of Phoenix
Chair, Jobs, Education and the Workforce Committee

LUKE BRONIN
Mayor of Hartford
Chair, Metro Economies Committee

Remarks: TBA

Other Sessions TBA

U.S. Conference of Mayors Executive Committee (Closed)
2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Thursday Afternoon Plenary Session
4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
Presidential Ballroom

Speaking program will begin at 4:15 p.m.

Presiding: FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Remarks: TBA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Community Leaders of America (CLA)| Forum for Community Leaders (FCL) Republican Mayor Forum Reception (Closed to Press)
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Chairwoman ACQUANETTA WARREN
Mayor of Fontana

Democratic Mayors Association Meeting (Closed to Press)
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
President ERIC GARCETTI
Mayor of Los Angeles

LATE-NIGHT RECEPTION
9:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

All 90th Winter Meeting participants are invited.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

Registration
7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Lobby, First Floor

Plenary Breakfast Honoring Leadership in the Arts
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Presidential Ballroom
Hosted by The U.S. Conference of Mayors and Americans for the Arts

Speaking program will begin at 7:50 a.m.

Presiding
HILLARY SCHIEVE
Mayor of Reno
Chair, Tourism, Arts, Parks, Entertainment, and Sports Committee

Greetings
TOM COCHRAN
CEO and Executive Director
The United States Conference of Mayors

TBA
Americans for the Arts

Presentations
2022 National Award for State Arts Leadership
2022 National Award for Local Arts Leadership
2022 Citizen Artist Advocacy Awards

Remarks
TBA

Update
90th Annual Conference of Mayors, Reno
Friday, June 3 - Monday, June 6, 2022
HILLARY SCHIEVE
Mayor of Reno, Host

SPECIAL SESSIONS
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Sessions TBA
FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

Friday Morning Plenary Session
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Presidential Ballroom

Speaking program will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Presiding
FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Armchair Discussion
The Rise of the Neighborhood Economy

Participants will share distinct but complementary views on what the rise of the neighborhood economy could mean for the future of cities.

Moderator
TBA

Panelists
TBA

Support provided by REEF Technology.

Remarks
TBA

SPECIAL SESSIONS
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sessions TBA

Friday Closing Plenary Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Presidential Ballroom

Speaking program will begin at 1:15 p.m.

Presiding
FRANCIS X. SUAREZ
Mayor of Miami
President, The United States Conference of Mayors

Remarks
TBA
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (WDC)

The Workforce Development Council is an affiliate organization of The U.S. Conference of Mayors.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Workforce Development Council Board/Winter Meeting
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
The Madison Washington DC

TRINH NGUYEN
Director, Mayor’s Office of Workforce Development (OWD), Boston
WDC President

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Workforce Development Council Winter Meeting
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
The Madison Washington DC
The United States Conference of Mayors Presidents

Francis X. Suarez, Miami, FL 2022-Present (80th)
Nan Whaley, Dayton, OH 2021 (79th)
Greg Fischer, Louisville, KY 2020-2021 (78th)
Bryan K. Barnett, Rochester Hills, MI 2019-2020 (77th)
Stephen K. Benjamin, Columbia, SC 2018-2019 (76th)
Mitchell J. Landrieu, New Orleans 2017-2018 (75th)
Mick Cornett, Oklahoma City 2016-2017 (74th)
Kevin Johnson, Sacramento 2014-2015 (72nd)
Scott Smith, Mesa 2013-2014 (71st)
Michael A. Nutter, Philadelphia 2012-2013 (70th)
Antonio R. Villaraigosa, Los Angeles 2011-2012 (69th)
Elizabeth B. Kautz, Burnsville 2009-2011 (68th)
Greg Nickels, Seattle 2009 (67th)
Manuel A. Diaz, Miami 2008-2009 (66th)
Douglas H. Palmer, Trenton 2006-2008 (65th)
Michael A. Guido, Dearborn 2006 (64th)
Beverly O'neill, Long Beach 2005-2006 (63rd)
Donald L. Plusquellek, Akron 2004-2005 (62nd)
James A. Garner, Hempstead 2003-2004 (61st)
Thomas M. Menino, Boston 2002-2003 (60th)
Marc H. Morial, New Orleans 2001-2002 (59th)
H. Brent Coles, Boise 2000-2001 (58th)
Wellington E. Webb, Denver 1999-2000 (57th)
Deedee Corradini, Salt Lake City 1998-1999 (56th)
Paul Helmke, Fort Wayne 1997-1998 (55th)
Richard M. Daley, Chicago 1996-1997 (54th)
Norman B. Rice, Seattle 1995-1996 (53rd)
Victor Ashe, Knoxville 1994-1995 (52nd)
Jerry E. Abramson, Louisville 1993-1994 (51st)
Raymond L. Flynn, Boston 1991-1992 (49th)
Kathryn J. Whitmire, Houston 1989-1990 (47th)
Arthur J. Holland, Trenton 1988-1989 (46th)
Richard L. Berkley, Kansas City 1987-1988 (45th)
Joseph P. Riley, Jr., Charleston 1986-1987 (44th)
Ernest N. Morial, New Orleans 1985-1986 (43rd)
Hernan Padilla, San Juan 1984-1985 (42nd)
Richard H. Fulton, Nashville 1983-1984 (41st)
Coleman A. Young, Detroit 1982-1983 (40th)
Helena G. Boosalis, Lincoln 1981-1982 (39th)
Richard E. Carver, Peoria 1979-1980 (37th)
William H. McNichols, Jr., Denver 1978-1979 (36th)
Lee Alexander, Syracuse 1977-1978 (35th)
Kenneth A. Gibson, Newark 1976-1977 (34th)
Moon Landrieu, New Orleans 1975-1976 (33rd)
Joseph L. Alioto, San Francisco 1974-1975 (32nd)
ROY B. MARTIN, JR., Norfolk 1973-1974 (31st)
LOUIE WELCH, Houston 1972-1973 (30th)
HENRY W. MAIER, Milwaukee 1971-1972 (29th)
TERRY D. SCHRUNK, Portland, OR 1968-1969 (26th)
JOSEPH M. BARR, Pittsburgh 1967-1968 (25th)
JEROME P. CAVANAUGH, Detroit 1966-1967 (24th)
NEAL S. BLAISDELL, Honolulu 1965-1966 (23rd)
RAYMOND R. TUCKER, St. Louis 1963-1965 (22nd)
ARTHUR L. SELLAND, Fresno 1963 (21st)
RICHARD C. LEE, New Haven 1962-1963 (20th)
ANTHONY J. CELEBREEZE, Cleveland 1962 (19th)
HAYDON BURNS, Jacksonville 1961-1962 (18th)
RICHARDSON DILWORTH, Philadelphia 1960-1961 (17th)
RICHARD J. DALEY, Chicago 1959-1960 (16th)
NORRIS POULSON, Los Angeles 1958-1959 (15th)
ROBERT F. WAGNER, New York 1957-1958 (14th)
JOHN B. HYNES, Boston 1955-1957 (13th)
ELMER E. ROBINSON, San Francisco 1953-1955 (12th)
THOMAS A. BURKE, Cleveland 1953 (11th)
MARTIN H. KENNELLY, Chicago 1952-1953 (10th)
DAVID L. LAWRENCE, Pittsburgh 1950-1952 (9th)
W. COOPER GREEN, Birmingham 1949-1950 (8th)
GEORGE W. WELSH, Grand Rapids 1947-1949 (7th)
EDWARD J. KELLY, Chicago 1945-1947 (6th)
FIORELLO H. LAGUARDIA, New York 1935-1945 (5th)
DANIEL W. HOAN, Milwaukee 1934-1935 (4th)
T. SEMMES WALMSLEY, New Orleans 1933-1934 (3rd)
JAMES M. CURLEY, Boston 1933 (2nd)
FRANK MURPHY, Detroit 1933 (1st)
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