

Strength in Unity



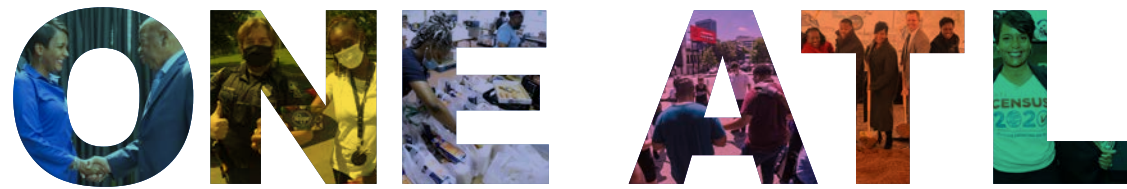
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Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms
Three-Year Review | 2021 Priorities

Strength in Unity



“Our vision for Atlanta is One Atlanta — an affordable, resilient and equitable Atlanta; a safe and welcoming city; a city with world-class employees, infrastructure and services; an ethical, transparent and fiscally responsible government; thriving neighborhoods, communities and businesses; and residents who are equipped for success.”

-Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms
Vision Statement

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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR



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As our Administration looks back on the past three years, we can point to with pride the progress we have achieved, even as our city faced obstacles no one expected or could have predicted. We have overcome hardships through sheer determination and collective resolve.

The year 2020 presented challenges unlike anything we have seen. It tested every one of us. But I know that Atlanta will be a stronger, healthier and more unified city when we reach the other side of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Through decisive action and bold partnerships, we have doubled down on our commitment and reinvested our efforts to ensure Atlanta maintains its position as:

- *A Safe, Welcoming and Inclusive City with Thriving Neighborhoods, Communities and Businesses*
- *A City with World-Class Employees, Infrastructure and Services*
- *An Ethical, Transparent and Fiscally Responsible Government*
- *A Place where Residents Are Equipped for Success*

Atlanta is no stranger to adversity. Our City’s history is founded on unity, which gives us the strength to overcome challenges. Now more than ever, it will take all of us working together to keep our great city healthy and prosperous for everyone and especially for our most vulnerable communities. Our success will matter only if it is equitable and sustaining for all.

When COVID-19 first hit, we responded quickly and continued core City services for our residents. We ramped up our partnerships with local and statewide health organizations and followed the science and guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other critical institutions such as Emory University.

We recognized the impact the health crisis was having on our communities and the disproportionate effect on communities of color. To help sustain our residents and businesses, our Administration invested more than **\$80 million** in emergency funding, resulting in rental assistance for more than **4,744 families**; emergency food programs for **5,000 residents**; financial support for **815 small businesses**; and permanent housing funded for **800 people** experiencing homelessness.

Together, we work hard each day to continue stabilizing our city and we are pushing forward on building **One Atlanta** — a city that is affordable, resilient and equitable. In 2021, we will continue to focus on the health and safety of our residents; advance additional racial justice initiatives; expand criminal justice reforms while also decreasing crime; increase employment opportunities and economic mobility for our legacy residents and businesses; and invest additional resources to continue expanding affordable housing.

We will continue to build on the City of Atlanta, the beloved place that we are proud to call home.

Thank you,

Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms

COVID-19 RESPONSE AND RECOVERY

Decisive Mayoral leadership, reliance on real-time public health data, and the tireless work of City of Atlanta staff helped flatten the COVID-19 curve.

STRENGTH

COVID-19 RESPONSE ACTION LIST

- Stood up Pandemic Response Team
- Formed Advisory Council of health and business leaders in February 2020
- Rolled out five-phase Reopening Plan and data dashboard
- Froze City foreclosures and water disconnections
- Shifted non-essential employees to teleworking and supported hazard pay, while maintaining City services
- Implemented a City-wide mask mandate
- Created Learning Pods for Atlanta students to give underserved children access to virtual learning
- Strengthened preparation with hiring of new Chief Housing Officer and Chief Health Officer
- Opened an isolation hotel for displaced residents to safely isolate



Infused more than
\$80 million
into emergency support

5,000

People served through emergency food programs

4,744

Families receiving housing assistance

815

Small businesses supported

800

People experiencing homelessness can now access housing funding



Public/Private Investment

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Ended ICE contract
after family separation crisis

A Safe, Welcoming and

INCLUSIVE CITY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

- Reformed cash bail
- Reduced average Atlanta City Detention Center (ACDC) population to less than 2% capacity
- Released Reimagining Criminal Justice Reform report
- Launched top-to-bottom review of policing in Atlanta with Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) and APD Urban Planning and Management
- Earned highest possible ISO 1 rating for our fire department, keeping households safe and insurance premiums low



CITY



Invested \$100,000
to combat HIV
in partnership with
Fulton County

THE CITY OF ATLANTA RECEIVES A
100% RATING
AND NINE BONUS POINTS
ON THE 2020
HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN
MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX

This is the highest total raw score
in the City of Atlanta's history
and the 8th consecutive perfect score.



Public Safety



30%
Historic pay increase
for Atlanta's
police officers

Completed **two** new fire
and police public safety
facilities
Three new fire
stations underway

25%
Increase in base pay
for Atlanta's firefighters



Hartsfield-Jackson
Atlanta International
Airport celebrates
the 50th anniversary
of PRIDE by lighting
its canopies



Reduced more than
500,000
metric tons of CO₂

with work through the American
Cities Climate Challenge actions

THRIVING

GREENSPACE/SUSTAINABILITY

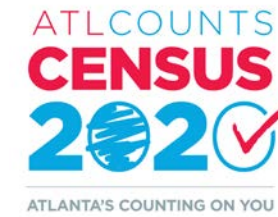
- 21,000 meals recovered to feed Atlantans when six airport restaurants participated in the first Food Matters Restaurant Challenge
- 7.1-acre new City park and largest national urban food forest established at Browns Mill



NEIGHBORHOODS, COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES



Census



2020 Census made sure ATL Counts by **improving self-response rate to 59.8%**, supporting Georgia's 99.9% final enumerated coverage rate

All in on Affordable Housing

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6,007

New and preserved affordable homes of 20,000 commitment by 2026



\$50 million

Invested through HomeFirst towards ending homelessness in Atlanta



\$497.2 million

Invested in City-controlled funds

Atlanta Department of Transportation

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Created

first-ever Atlanta Department of Transportation (DOT)

40.2%

reduction in admin costs



64.7%

increase in project performance



Launched

Vision Zero for safer streets in Atlanta



Hartsfield-Jackson
Atlanta International Airport®



World's busiest airport
22 years running



World's most efficient airport
16 years running

WORLD-CLASS

EMPLOYEES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES



Fix-It Atlanta



Clean Sweep removed

8,388

tons of trash

across Atlanta neighborhoods



27,435

Potholes filled



More than

1.7 Million

311 service requests handled

With nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and 70 international destinations in more than 50 countries, ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 individuals working on-site.

An Ethical, Transparent and Fiscally

RESPONSIBLE

SUCCESS LIST

- Reformed the City of Atlanta's employee bonus policy
- Hired first-ever Chief Transparency Officer
- Created the Office of Inspector General
- Implemented a new e-procurement system (ATL Cloud), creating cost and time savings for vendors and the City
- Archived Police video interactions in the Cloud

Employee Credit Card Transactions atlantaga.gov

Launched Atlanta's Open Checkbook

Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms' vision of One Atlanta is an affordable, resilient, and equitable Atlanta. Central to realizing that vision is the establishment of an ethical, transparent, and fiscally responsible government. Open Checkbook provides taxpayers the access and ability to see and track how their money is being spent. Charts, graphs and checkbook style transactions are readily available and raw data, historical trends and projected expenses are easily searchable and understandable regardless of financial acumen. The City's money belongs to its people. Welcome, Atlanta, to your open checkbook.

[Read More](#)

Search by Service, Department, Program...

Spending Summary All Years

Total Spending **\$5.61 Billion**

Total Transactions **655,113**

This data contains transaction-level detail spending of the City. It includes all goods and services purchased by City of Atlanta. Click 'Explore All Spending' to review further.

Explore All Spending



GOVERNMENT

Awarded

Georgia First Amendment Foundation Weltner Freedom of Information Award

Upgraded

208 Atlanta Police vehicles with surveillance cameras

Ethics

Championed task force for the promotion of public trust



24,201

Jobs created or retained
across the city

Residents Who Are

EQUIPPED

Established
\$15/hr

minimum wage for City employees

FOR SUCCESS

ECONOMIC MOBILITY

investatlanta.com/economicmobility

- Launched Bank On Atlanta with nine partner financial institutions offering low to no-cost bank accounts



- Equitable hiring reforms: Ban the box and removal of salary history



Youth

Broke ground

on two new @Promise
Youth Centers

Expanded

engagement and grew
Atlanta Public Schools
(APS) partnership

Engaged

8,412

youth through
Camp Best Friends



Provided

1,387

summer jobs to youth

2021 AGENDA

Top 5 Agenda Items

1

Maintain strong **Covid-19** response and recovery measures

2

Strengthen **Public Safety** efforts and reforms, including the re-imagining of the Atlanta City Detention Center

3

Continue investing in **Affordable Housing**

4

Increase **Economic Mobility**, especially in black and brown communities facing persistently high rates of poverty and unemployment

5

Expand safe and accessible **Transportation**

Other Key Initiatives

- > **Add** to City park and greenspace through future acquisitions and development, including the 280-acre Westside Park grand opening and continued Beltline expansion.
- > **Invest** in Atlanta youth by closing the virtual learning gap, expanding financial support for continued education, and implementing entrepreneurship programs.
- > **Provide** LGBTQ professional development and mentorship programming, and hire an HIV fellow.
- > **Continue** to combat climate change through regional partnerships and local programs, including a new WeatherRISE weatherization program to equitably reduce home energy bills.



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