



FALL CONFERENCE 2018 AGENDA
Gatlinburg, TN
Margaritaville Resort, 539 Parkway

Wednesday, September 26

3:00pm – TEDC Board Meeting – **7th Floor Board Room**

4:30-6:00pm - Registration Desk Open -**Hotel Lobby**

4:00-5:30pm – Hospitality Suite Open –7th floor Suite

5:30-7:00pm - Early Bird Reception will be located at the Hotel outdoor venue and next to the License to Chill Bar area
Moonshine Tasting

Dinner on your own

9:00pm – Hospitality Suite Open – 7th floor Suite

Thursday, September 27

8:00-8:30am

Breakfast – Margaritaville Resort Event Space Foyer – 7th Floor

8:30-8:35am – WELCOME - Bryan Daniels

Pledge of Allegiance

Sponsorship Recognition

8:35-9:00am Welcome –Larry Waters, County Mayor, Gatlinburg
In November 2016, more than 2,500 homes and businesses were damaged or destroyed in the Gatlinburg fire. Mayor Waters will present an update on the community since the fire and their bounce back.

9:00-10:15am

Josh Bays, Site Selection Group

Josh is a Partner at Site Selection Group where he leads the company's industrial practice. Throughout his career, Bays has developed various cutting-edge analytical platforms that have enabled clients to optimize their location decisions.

Although Bays' technical background is rooted in the field of Geographic Information Sciences, he is considered an expert in industrial site selection where he integrates real estate and economic incentive strategies for the company's industrial clients. Bays has completed more than 750 projects for global clients, including Adidas, Amazon.com, Bimbo Bakeries, Boeing, Harley-Davidson, Papa John's, and Ryder.

10:15am – Break

10:30-11:00am –Van Hool Project

Belgian bus Manufacturer in Morristown, TN

Hear how creative workforce development and workforce training opportunities sealed this project. It is also a story of how family and the personal feel to a community can win out over incentives in a competitive project.

Marshall Ramsey, Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce

Victoria Hirschberg, TN Dept of Economic & Community Development

11:00-11:30am Matt Murray, Center for Public Policy, Boyd Center at University of Tennessee- Matt has worked closely with state and local governments on a wide range of public policy issues including economic development incentives, economic/fiscal impact analysis, tax policy analysis, education finance reform, and transportation infrastructure finance.

11:30am Session Adjourns - Announcements

12:15pm – Golfers Luncheon at Sevierville Golf Course

1:00pm - Shotgun start – Sevierville Golf Course

12:15 – Non-Golfers Lunch Buffet- Calhouns, 1004 Parkway

1:45pm – Anakeesta & Aquarium (tickets required)

6:30-7:30pm

Reception – 7th Floor Event space Foyer

7:30pm – Annual Awards Dinner- Event Space 7th Floor Margaritaville Resort

Friday, September 28th

8:00-8:30am - Breakfast – 7th Floor Event Space

8:30am - Sponsor Recognition

8:35-8:50am - **TEDC Business Meeting**, Bob Bibb, TEDC President

8:50-9:45am **Tennessee Politics Election Overview – What it means in Tennessee & Tennessee Chamber of Commerce Update**, Bradley Jackson, President, TN Chamber of Commerce

9:45-10:15am – Why Political Engagement is Important to Economic Development?

How your community can work with your leadership program and other civic and volunteer organizations to recruit pro-business candidates to run for elected office.

Matt Largen, Williamson, Inc.

Bob Bibb, MTIDA

Bradley Jackson, Tennessee Chamber

10:15- 10:30am – Break

10:00-10:30am –

Bill Lee, Gubernatorial Candidate (invited)

10:30-11:00am

Karl Dean, Gubernatorial Candidate (confirmed)

11:00-11:15am - TN Department of Economic & Community Development Update, Jamie Stitt

11:15-11:30am – TVA Update- John Bradley

11:30–11:45am – SEDC Update, Kathy Price

11:45am-Noon - UTCIS Update, Paul Jennings

Noon – Wrap up & Golf Tournament winners announced